



## Minutes of TLC Humane Society Meeting May 9, 2019

**Call to order:** A general meeting of TLC Humane Society (aka Dahlonega Lumpkin County Humane Society) was held at TLC Humane Society in Dahlonega, Ga., on May 9, 2019, convening at 6:00 pm, President Desirae Carroll presiding and Treasurer Susan Russell taking minutes.

**Board Members in Attendance:** Desirae Carroll, Gayle Gannaway, Susan Russell, Courtney Chandler, Shelby Clark

**Board Members Not in Attendance:** Esther Morgan-Ellis, Mary Tess Syfan, Sydney Eason

**General Members in Attendance:** Michelle MacKenzie, Sara Henley, Marti Carver

**Guests:** Bill Burgess, Dr. Emily Wallin, Dr. Viviana Rodriguez-Abudo, Briana Lewis

**Approval of agenda:** Motion was made by Marti Carver to approve agenda as written, seconded by Sara Henley. Motion was carried.

**Approval of minutes:** Minutes of the March meeting were distributed and read silently. Motion was made by Marti Carver to approve as written, seconded by Gayle Gannaway. Motion was carried.

### **Officer Reports:**

#### President's Report (Desirae Carroll)

- Shelby Clark has joined the TLC Board. She is a vet tech, and will make a great addition. Welcome, Shelby!

#### Financial Report (Susan Russell)

- As of April 30, we were in the black \$4600.
- Donation revenue & Adoption revenue are both very robust
- Shelter supplies are quite high; something we need to monitor. A lot of Rescue was used for possible ringworm outbreak.
- We are ahead of schedule with Fundraisers, and have met the Membership goal for the year
- We will get the concrete in the Ruff House refinished after June 15. We just received \$1000 towards to Ruff House Project

#### Animal Services/Shelter Report: (Michelle MacKenzie)

- Adoptions, intakes & returns Jan 1-April 30 2019
  - Start of Year: 17 Dogs, 22 Puppies, 6 Cats, 9 Kittens, 54 Total
  - 97 adoptions: 36 Dogs, 44 Puppies, 3 Cats, 14 Kittens
  - 101 intakes, 3 returns
  - As of April 30: 18 Dogs, 25 Puppies, 6 Cats, 10 Kittens, 59 Total
  - Russ & Mary have been enclosing the cat porch; that project is just about completed, and looks fantastic. We now have two small rooms for special needs cats such as 15 year old Ciel, who just arrived from an abusive home
  - Earlier in the year, we had eight seniors; all but two have been adopted or are being fostered.



## Fundraising (Desirae Dubey/Susan Russell)

- Dedication of the Ruff House May 31 at 2 pm. Stefanie, Debbie, & Marcie from ASG will paint the building; Gayle & Stefanie will coordinate on hand railing, door frame, shutters, and any other necessary trim work. Kathleen & Stefanie will take care of window boxes, planters, and bench. We need to put up tents on the concrete pad on the day of the event & Stefanie will provide finger food.
- Wal-Mart Supply Drive June 1.
- Open House June 15 10:00 to 2:00.
  - Same day as Lavender Festival, so high traffic
  - Will include orientations for fosters & for volunteers
  - Kona Ice Truck
  - Hotdogs & Hamburgers; Gayle will bring grill
  - Tennis Ball Bingo
  - Small Raffle; Red Barn Vet & Hemlock Vet will donate baskets
  - Photo Booth (needs to be a constructed) Abby will take photos
  - Small supply drive
  - Signs
  - Check with County for parking across the street
  - Sharon Hall will write an article
  - Desi will make up a flyer; they need to be put up at vets, dog groomers & on the square
- Strut Your Mutt
  - Enrollments starts mid-June
  - A tutorial video with instructions on two different approaches for online fundraising (Facebook & email) would be useful
- **Open Discussion:**
  - Master Email List: Need to combine data from PetPoint, PayPal, and membership list. Once the list is created, we can use a mail platform to email information about events and emergency needs
  - Grants: We have a list of grants & due dates. We need to kick start the process with examples, specific needs and grants already written.
  - Instructions: Need directions on how to set up Kroger card to donate to TLC, also how to set up Amazon Smile. We can add these instructions added into the adoption packets, which are reviewed in detail.

### **Announcements:**

- The next meeting will on July 18, 2019 at United Community Bank.

### **Adjournment**

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm

### **Approval:**

*Not yet approved*

*Susan D Russell*

Treasurer, TLC Humane Society