

Human Resources and Planning Committee
March 9, 2017

The Human Resources and Planning Committee met on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse in the Law Library. Committee members in attendance included Chairman George Dixon, Letha Clark, Mike Cox, Alice Henry, Joshua Jefferson, Dave Nissen, Digger Oster and County Board Chairman Scott Schwerer. Member Travis Hiel was absent. Others in attendance included Patrick Stout, Gayle Carper and Bonnie Scripps. Beth Jameson was present as recording secretary.

Chairman Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review & Approval of February 9, 2017 Minutes

Member Nissen moved with second by Member Oster that the minutes of February 9, 2017 meeting are approved with wording change (intent to extent). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Animal Control Report

County Board Office Administrator Beth Jameson reported that Animal Control Officer Kelsey Havens welcomed Abel Robert Havens on March 1st at 1:59 p.m. Able weighed 9 lbs 4 oz and was 20 inches long. Everyone is doing well. The monthly report was reviewed and included: animal numbers, after hours call out and accomplishments.

Discussion was held on mowing of the Shelter grounds. Member Cox moved with second by Member Jefferson to retain S & G Lawn Mowing for the same cost as 2016 (\$ 25/mow & \$ 20/spray). Motion carried on a voice vote. Board Chairman will contact them and get their updated Certification of Liability Insurance.

Chairman Dixon welcomed back Humane Society President Bonnie Scripps and congratulated her on being named the City of Macomb Volunteer of the Year. Bonnie was in Bushnell earlier to accept pet food collected by the Gold Diggers 4-H Club for the Loaves & Fishes pet food pantry. She reported that they are in the initial stages of planning the 5th Annual Wine, Whiskers and Whimsy for June 17th.

The Shelter has received an influx of cats (11 released today) and the numbers are high for good adoptable cats. Bonnie wondered about running a Spring Cat Special similar to previous specials where unaltered cats were \$ 25 + 12 microchip fee and altered cats were \$ 10 + 12 microchip fee. Member Henry moved with second by Member Clark to begin a Spring Cat Special (03/10/17 to 04/31/17) \$ 37.00 (\$25 + 12) for unaltered cats and \$ 22.00 (\$10 + 12) for altered cats. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Board Chairman Schwerer reported that with the closing of the Galesburg lab all rabies cases will now go the Champaign.

Policies & Procedures/Planning for the Future

County Board Office Administrator Jameson reported she only received one reply concerning the Travel Reimbursement Policy that was forwarded to State's Attorney Kwacala. The current claim request form will be used to submit County claims. The maximum amount still needs to be established. Member Henry moved with second by Member Oster to set the single trip maximum at \$ 2,000.00 and send to the full Board an Ordinance Establishing a Travel Reimbursement Policy in Accordance with the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act (50 ILCS 150). Motion carried on a voice vote.

Report of McDonough County Groundwater Protection Education Committee

Member Henry reported that the committee is making preparations for Drinking Water Week in May.

Report on GIS Meeting

Member Oster reported that at the GIS meeting search & rescue was discussed. They looked a mapping initiative done for Schyler County. It is a very nice book that costs about \$ 20 - \$ 22. The same type of book could be done for McDonough County.

Water main mapping in McDonough County was recently completed.

Claims

Member Clark moved with second by Member Jefferson to approve the claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other

Member Henry moved with second by Member Oster that the meeting adjourns. Motion carried on a voice vote. With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.