

**ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY, INC.  
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NEW MILFORD, CT 06776**

**APRIL 11, 2016  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Attendees: J. Bloch; P. Booska; A. Gantert; R. Gardner; K. Marrotte; G. Ryring

The meeting began at 7:48 pm.

Secretary's Report - Karen Marrotte

- The March 14, 2016 minutes was accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report - Michelle Scott

- Michelle was not present at the meeting but the financial reports were reviewed and accepted.

President's Report - Janet Bloch

- Diane Saraceni has resigned from AWS and has moved to the Boston area with her company. Diane thank you for your years of service.
- Janet and Tom Mulvihill have been working on a family grant that is due on May first.
- We opened the Pet Thrift Shop this month and made \$200 on opening day. The shop will be open the second Saturday every month through October. Pass the word, there are tons of bargains on crates, costumes, stairs and just about anything for a pet. New items arrive daily! Special thanks to Petco for their contributions to the shop. Thanks to Joan Streib, Pam Booska, Marie Dillon, Catherine Goyette and Alice Corcoran for their help.

Vice President's Report - (open)

Director, Public Relations and Marketing - Amy Gantert

- Give Local - May 3-4, 2016. We have mailed 6,000 postcard announcing the event.

- AWS will again have the “Cool Cats and Hot Dogs” classic car cruise at the shelter on May 3 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. We will have free hotdogs and soda for the event. Also baked goods by Kathy Powell and Michelle Scott.
- Also a “Community Fest” at Home Depot on May 3. We are hoping to get some volunteers to man the AWS table for a couple of hours. We will be there from noon until 8:00 pm along with other nonprofits in New Milford.
- Amy is also working on the tile program for our Celebration Wall.

Shelter Manager - Renee Gardner

- Good news! Adam, our chocolate lab, has been found in Stamford. Adam escaped from his foster home in North Salem and was missing for four months. He was found by Animal Control in Stamford and thanks to his microchip has been returned to AWS. He has Lyme disease but other than that he is in remarkably good health for being gone all winter.
- The Animal Report as of March 31, 2016

	<u>Cats</u>	<u>Dogs</u>
In-House	65	11
New	46	4
Adopted	19	22
Foster Care	5 cats/16 kittens	5

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Karen Marrotte