

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

**JUNE 13, 2016
MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

Attendees: D. Armstrong; M. Barnes; J. Bloch; A. Gantert; R. Gardner; K. Marrotte;
G. Ryring; M. Scott

The meeting began at 7:42 pm.

Secretary's Report - Karen Marrotte

- The minutes from our May 9, 2016 meeting was accepted.

Treasurer's Report - Michelle Scott

- Michelle recommended that we take an emergency draw from our investments to cover some expenses while we wait for the Give Local check. A motion was accepted to take money from our Investment account.

President's Report - Janet Bloch

- We worked hard on the Give Local event. The organization had a glitch in their computer system and the system was down for most of the first day. Also it had rained for our Cool Cats and Hot Dogs event so we did not collect as much money as we hoped. After review, we feel that we may make the same amount of profit as last year.
- The Community Fest event held at Home Depot (part of Give Local) was not very successful. Besides being on a Tuesday afternoon, the event was not publicized and there was no food or music as previously mentioned. We will have to give this serious consideration next year.
- We have applied for a grant and we are anxiously waiting to hear sometime during July.
- We have received \$3,500 from a Petco grant.

Vice President's Report - (open)

Director, Public Relations and Marketing

- Events

- An event at J. McLaughlin's in Washington Depot was not beneficial. We will receive 15% of sales.
- Photos for the 2017 calendar are being taken now. Call the shelter to schedule a time. The next photo session will be on June 20.
- Breakfast - We will be selling ads for the Breakfast brochure. The cost is \$50/half page and \$100/full page.
- You will be hearing more about our Tile Wall Project on Facebook and other social media.
- If you have not signed up for AmazonSmile, we would appreciate your support. A portion of your sales will benefit AWS.
- Pet Thrift Shop will be open the second Saturday from 10:00 am - 1:00 pm through October.
- On our website, there is a link to donate a car. AWS has received quite a bit of money from these donations.
- A dog wash will be held on August 14, at Paw Print in Brookfield (near four corners). No need to make an appointment.
- Amy, Renee and Janet visited Rumsey Hall School in Washington. This school has grades from K through 9. The school would like to hold a food drive for our shelter.

Shelter Manager - Renee Gardner

- The shelter held their first Rabies Clinic. Dr. Dinwiddie from Park Lane Animal Hospital was the veterinarian. Rabies vaccination was \$20. Next year we would like to do it again and advertise it at Senior Centers and other locations.
- The Animal Report as of April 30 and May 31, 2016.

<u>APRIL</u>	<u>Cats</u>	<u>Dogs</u>
In-House	87	17
New	36	11
Adopted	29	14

Foster Care	0
Returned to Owner	0

<u>MAY</u>	<u>Cats</u>	<u>Dogs</u>
In-House	70	17
New	16	8
Adopted	33	8
Foster Care	0	
Returned to Owner	0	

Rabbits: 3 In-House; 1 Adopted

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Karen Marrotte