

**Animal Control Board Minutes**

**4<sup>th</sup> Qtr Meeting**

**Date:** December 19<sup>th</sup> 2011

**Location:** City Hall / EOC

**Time:** 6:00 PM

**The 4<sup>th</sup> Qtr Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.**

**ROLLCALL**

**Attending:**

Assistant Chief Williams	Chairman
Alijah Hunter	Animal Control
Phillip Jankowski	City Council

**Absent:**

Rex Bailey	Veterinarian
Vacant	Humane Society Representative

**The determination of a quorum was made.**

**Minutes of the last Animal Board meeting were reviewed and accepted.**

**New Business:**

Alijah Hunter advised that the form that is to go out in the water bills throughout Michigan City, approximately 10,000 copies has been completed. The letter will educate citizens of the animal license requirements and subsequent actions if not adhered to. The goal of Animal Control is to get this letter out in the first quarter of 2012.

Alijah Hunter also advised that M.C. Animal Control is seeking assistance through volunteer organizations to assist with kennel cleaning and other issues.

Alijah Hunter mentioned the idea of installing 2 cameras in the kennel with 24/7 live feed so that a citizen whom lost an animal can check to see if we have them, or to monitor the conditions of these animals' care. Also mentioned was the intent to work with rescue agencies to take possession of unclaimed animals.

**Unfinished business:**

None

**Review of the Michigan City Animal Control Activities, Year To Date:**

Dog Impounds:	156
Cat Impounds:	32
Transported to LaPorte Small Animal Shelter:	51 dogs / No Cats
Euthanized:	58 Dogs
Citations Issued:	74
Cat Trap Set:	n/a
Dog Fighting Investigations:	n/a
Critical incidents to report (animal bites):	n/a
After Hour Calls (injured animals):	n/a

**Comments from the Public:**

Karen Coffey, Bridgeman Michigan mentioned that she would like to see the numbers of cats rescued by the Independent Cat Society and statistics for the TNA program. Karen applauds the efforts of the M.C. Animal Control because of the partnerships we have embraced.

Royce Williams mentioned that the board and round table group are continuing to work on the Dog rescue groups so that unclaimed dogs can be saved as well.

**Comments from the Board:**

Councilman Philip Jankowski mentioned that this would be his last board meeting after serving eight (8) years and he was proud and honored to serve.

Councilman Jankowski has been a pioneer and catalyst for this committee and will be greatly missed; he truly was a sincere and compassionate partner with our animal population.

**The next Board meeting will be announced via e-mail**

**The Animal Advisory Board formally adjourned**

**Royce Williams**

**Assistant Chief of Police**