

**Darlington County Humane Society Board Meeting**  
**Hartsville Public Library**  
**Monday, June 8, 2015**  
**6:30 pm**

**Members present:** , Lynette Savereno, Carol Stackhouse, Leslie McElveen, Jeannie Gainey, Kit Hardee, Crystal Hulsey, Steve Ingram, Jackie Kirven.

**Guests in attendance:** Holley Fambrough, Kathy McGowan, Kathy McDonald

Call to Order, Roll Call, FOI

Meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm.

**April & May Minutes:** A motion to approve April and May minutes by Crystal Hulsey with 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeannie Gainey was approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kathy McDonald distributed a list of May expenditures from the operations account. Operations account balance is \$2,475.00. Payroll account balance is \$16,109 which is not enough to meet payroll through the date of the next anticipated payment from the county. Will be depositing proceeds from Lucky Dog Ball and Coker K95K Run which should help.

**County Council Budget:** Kathy McDonald reported that the County Administrator stated at the first reading that he proposed a 2% reduction for all county agencies. However, the proposed reduction for DCHS is 33%. This reduction would seriously hinder DCHS ability to provide shelter services that are required by law. The board discussed and made suggestions for points to make with county council at the next reading.

**Treasurer Positions:** A motion by Leslie McElveen with second by Jeannie Gainey to appoint Marilyn Moore Assistant Treasurer for General Fund and Fundraising was approved. The DCHS financial team is assigned as follows:

Kathy McDonald, DCHS Treasurer  
Marilyn Moore, Asst. Treasurer for General Fund and Fundraising.  
Carolyn Powers, Asst. Treasurer for Rescue Fund  
Jeannie Gainey, Asst. Treasurer for Bridge Fund  
Carol Stackhouse, Asst. Treasurer for General Fund Deposits

**Bonding:** Carol Stackhouse recommended that DCHS consider Bonding Insurance for the financial team. She will contact Alan Norwood for an estimate of cost and requirements and report back to the Board.

**Raffles:** Carol Stackhouse reported that two raffles have been approved to benefit DCHS. An exempt raffle was held in conjunction with the Lucky Dog Ball. One non-exempt raffle was held in May to benefit the Bridge. Details of the proceeds, due June 25, have not been turned in yet. DCHS has held one of four non-exempt raffles allowed in 2015. If desired, exempt raffles may be held once per week. All raffle requests must be submitted to Carol in writing for approval before a raffle is held.

**Bridge:** The property closing on the Bridge will be soon. Kathy McDonald will announce the date and time.

**Rescue:** DCHS received \$14,000 from the "Big Give." Of this, \$7,000 will be used toward the cost of a new transport vehicle and \$7,000 will be used for the Bridge.

**Shelter:** Someone is needed to help Jackie on Saturday. There is too much activity for one person to handle. Reid Stevens is available. There is also a need for someone to help on Thursdays.

**Lowe's Grant:** Crystal Hulsey moved, with second by Jeannie Gainey, that DCHS apply for a grant in the amount of \$2,500 in materials from Lowe's for Bridge improvements. The motion was approved. Kathy McGowan and Lynette Savereno will write the grant request.

**Cat Population:** Concerns were expressed and strategies discussed for addressing the increased intake of cats and the need to provide feasible and humane solutions for housing and promotion of rescue and adoption.