

**COLUMBIA/BOONE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH
MEETING MINUTES
April 10, 2014**

The Columbia/Boone County Board of Health met for a regularly scheduled meeting at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, April 10, 2014. The meeting was held at the Central Missouri Humane Society, 616 Big Bear Boulevard. Director, Stephanie Browning represented the staff. Animal Control Supervisor, Molly Aust recorded the minutes of the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Sohl
Denise Stillson
Dr. Sally Beth Lyon
Mahree Skala
Dr. Michael Szewczyk
Harry Feirman
Dr. Beth Hussey

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Jean Sax
Dr. Colin Malaker
Ilalyn Irwin
Lynelle Phillips

**MEMBERS NOT
EXCUSED**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Dr. Michael Szewczyk called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as written.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Beth Hussey made a motion to approve the minutes which Dr. Sally Beth Lyon second.
Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Overview of Central Missouri Humane Society – Molly Aust & Mary Pat Boatfield

Ms. Stephanie Browning introduced Mary Pat Boatfield, Executive Director of Central Missouri Humane Society, and Molly Aust, Animal Control Supervisor. Ms. Boatfield explained that the facility was built in the seventies and has been in operation for about seventy years. They have twenty-five cages, which can be seen when walking into the building, that are for Animal Control to use for lost dogs, animal cruelty, holding, dog bite cases, etc. If strays are brought in, they are kept for five days for the owner to claim them. Ms. Aust explained that Animal Control has access to these cages at any given time per their contract with the Humane Society. However, when Animal Control does not utilize the cages the Humane Society is free to use them.

The Central Missouri Humane Society has a yearly budget of around \$1,000,000 for facility operations, programs and services. Ms. Boatfield noted that in 2013 they performed about three thousand spay and neuter operations. They also handled over four thousand animals, which include dogs, cats, rabbits, hamsters, gerbils and ferrets. It was clarified that the Humane Society serves all of Boone County, plus the closest ten of our neighboring counties. Ms. Boatfield explained as of June first there will be a transition where the other counties will have to call to make an appointment, because of the limited space that is available. The Humane Society works with a large number of rescue groups and foster care home families. Their strongest program is their volunteer program; they have five hundred volunteers who put in over three thousand hours a year.

Facility Tour

Members of the Board of Health were joined by Barbara Hoppe and members of the public as they toured the facility. Ms. Boatfield provided information and answered questions.

ADJOURN

There being no additional business, there was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE

May 8, 2014