

HUMAN RESOURCES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

January 9, 2025

The Human Resources and Planning Committee met on Thursday, January 9, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the McDonough County Courthouse, 3rd Floor, Law Library. Committee Members in attendance included Chair Ken Durkin, Dave Bartlett, Jerry Raby, Ryan Litchfield, and Dana Walker. Members Dustin Berg, Clayton Cook, and Vicky Kipling were absent. Others in attendance included Animal Control Officer Zach Welch, Bonnie Skripps, John Vigezzi, Karen Blakeley, Mike Cox, County Chair Eric Blakeley, Deputy Clerk Emily Flynn, and County Clerk Jeremy Benson.

Chair Durkin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review and Approve Minutes from December 12, 2024

Member Litchfield moved with a second by Member Raby to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Animal Control Report

Animal Control Officer, Zach Welch gave the report. There was 15 dogs and 25 cats in the shelter at the end of December. Welch informed the Committee that all feral cat tags for 2025 have been given out, and the City of Macomb might be willing to contribute more funding towards the spay/neuter program. Member Walker would like to run an advertisement again regarding registering cats.

Humane Society

Bonnie Skripps passed out their winter newsletter, they are still raising money for a new shelter and they currently have approximately \$900,000.00. They will have the Casino Night fundraiser coming up, it will be held at Park Place in Macomb. Dr. Karen Blakeley informed the Committee of a \$12,500.00 grant that was awarded, this grant is for specific uses and will need the spending of the funds reported.

Policies and Procedures

None.

GIS Update

None.

Approval of HR & Planning Claims

Member Raby moved with a second by Member Walker to approve the HR & Planning claims as submitted. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Other Items as Needed

None.

Executive Session

None.

Public Comment

None.

County Board Chair Comments

Chair Blakeley informed the Committee that Ric with Veteran's Assistance is in need of three drivers, and that there are a lot of items on the full Board Agenda.

Adjourn

Member Raby moved with a second by Member Litchfield to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.