

**ANIMAL CONTROL COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Clinton County Animal Control
May 11, 2026 – 7:30 p.m.

Ann Schroeder, Chairman

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Ann Schroeder.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Committee Members Present: Ann Schroeder, Mike Hilmes and Joe Jansen

Also Present: Board Chairman Brad Knolhoff, Administrator Kenny “Doc” Brown, and Animal Control Warden Tony Petrea

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the April minutes was made by Joe Jansen. Seconded by Mike Hilmes.

ANIMAL CONTROL ADMINISTRATOR REPORT - KENNY “DOC” BROWN

- The Expenditure and Budget Status Reports were reviewed.
- Doc noted that there just aren’t enough homes for dogs, and more surrenders are coming in due to different circumstances.
- Doc reported that the first meeting of the 501 (c)(3) will be tomorrow night at 7:00 p.m.

ANIMAL CONTROL WARDEN REPORT - TONY PETREA

- Tony distributed his reports which showed that one citation was issued. There were 28 online rabies tag payments, 9 online spay/neuter clinic reservations, and 87 calls were run in the month of April.
- There were 13 dogs and 26 cats taken into the facility in April and at the current time, there are 7 dogs and 3 cats there.
- Tony noted that the cat numbers are down, but they are waiting for the count to start going up.
- A third person was hired, so there are two people in the evenings now.
- There were 9 puppies dumped. A lady claimed she found them on Rte. 50. They were picked back up from Animal Control and then again dumped in Marion County.

County Board Chairman Brad Knolhoff reported that Bond County Chairman Chris Timmermann reached out to him and said that Bond County would like to contract with Clinton County for their Animal Control. A discussion was held regarding the matter. Both Doc and Tony’s primary concerns are: 1) We may run out of room for Clinton County’s animals, 2) The additional manpower it would take, 3) The perception Clinton County taxpayers may have, and 4) The inability to give both Counties equal attention. Doc noted that taking over Bond County Animal Control could mean that an additional 230+ dogs could come in annually. The conclusion was that Clinton County Animal Control won’t be able to adequately serve both counties.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY BILL AND EXPENDITURES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Intergovernmental Agreement Ordinance/Fee- Brad noted that there will be a meeting with the Mayors on June 10th, and he plans to attend to see what they have to say.
- Fence- Tony was directed to talk with Mike Meskil to determine if and how it would work.
- Body Camera & Policy- Pros and cons were discussed. Tony is going to have minor revisions made to the copy he has in order to make it fit Animal Control situations.

NEW BUSINESS

- Tony mentioned that areas are chipping on the epoxy floor. Joe said that he is going to check it out.
- Tony said that he talked to Mike Meskil about a transfer switch in case of a power outage. Mike said that there is a generator sitting at Health Dept not being used. Mike said that he will check to see what the cost would be to hook it up at Animal Control.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Joe Jansen. Seconded by Mike Hilmes. Motion carried.