

Kendall County Office Building 111 W. Fox Street, Room 210, Yorkville IL Wednesday, July 24, 2019 – 8:30a.m. A G E N D A

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call: Amy Cesich (Chair), Robyn Vickers (Vice Chair), Elizabeth Flowers, Scott Gengler, Matthew Prochaska
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes from June 26, 2019
- 5. Monthly Reports
 - Census Log
 - Bite Report
 - Operations Report
 - Accounting Report
- 6. Old Business
 - > Update on Healy Bender Contract
 - > Update on Chameleon Software Training
 - > Review of Adoption Process and Associated Fees
- 7. New Business
- 8. Public Comment
- 9. Executive Session
- 10. Action Items for County Board
- 11. Adjournment



MEETING MINUTES FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26, 2019

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Amy Cesich at 8:30a.m.

Roll Call

Attendee	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Amy Cesich	Present		
Elizabeth Flowers	Present		
Scott Gengler	Here		
Matthew Prochaska	Here		
Robyn Vickers	Here		

With five members present, a quorum was established to conduct committee business.

Others present: Scott Koeppel, Laura Pawson, Dr. Gary Schlapp

<u>Approval of Agenda</u> – Motion made by Member Flowers, second by Member Prochaska to approve the agenda. <u>With five members in agreement, the motion carried by a vote of 5-0.</u>

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> — Motion made by Member Vickers to approve the minutes from May 22, 2019, second by Member Flowers. <u>With three members in agreement, the minutes were approved by a 5-0 vote.</u>

Monthly Reports

• Census Log – Laura Pawson reviewed the census log with the committee.

Dogs Available for Adoption: 9

Cats Available for Adoption: 3 (1 cat. 2 kittens)

- Bite Report Laura Pawson reviewed the Bite Report with the committee, stating there were 18 dog bites, and 4 cat bites for the month of May. Written report provided.
- Operations Report Laura Pawson reported that Jesse, a senior Elkhound Mix will be featured in the Record Newspaper this week.
- Accounting Report Director Pawson reported on rabies tag sales, fines and fees, and
 donations. Scott Koeppel stated that the Transportation, Board & Care line was over
 budget due to the facility being non-operational for several months, and animals being
 housed at Countryside Vet Clinic. Mr. Koeppel said that the salary line was down due to
 the reduction of staff. Written report provided.

Old Business

- > Update on Hiring Process and new Employees Ms. Pawson reported that she promoted Kelly Prestegaard to the position of Assistant Warden, that they currently have three Kennel Technicians on staff, and she hopes to hire for a fourth part-time Kennel Tech position soon.
- ➤ Update on Facility Clean-up by Sheriff's Office Inmate Work Detail Member Cesich updated the committee by stating that three inmates under the supervision of a Sheriff's Deputy, have been reporting on Wednesday mornings, and making good progress on the facility clean-up. Member Cesich stated that select non-violent inmates assist with minor repairs, and maintenance, while earning service points. The new program was a collaborative effort between Member Cesich, Sheriff Baird, Corrections Commander Bobby Richardson and Animal Control Director Pawson.
- > Update on Healy Bender Contract Facilities Director Smiley updated the committee on recent plans he received from Healy Bender. Discussion on the timeline for bids, approval by the Board, and when the renovations might begin.
- ➤ Update on Software Training Ms. Pawson reported that she and current Animal Control staff began training this week, and that Latreese Caldwell will join the training later this afternoon. Ms. Pawson stated she is hopeful that the new system will allow more accountability and record-keeping, as well as streamline some of the procedures currently in place.

New Business - None

Executive Session – Not needed

Action Items for the County Board - None

Action Items for the Committee of the Whole - None

Questions from the Media – None

Public Comment – None

Adjournment – Member Flowers made a motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Member Vickers. With five members present in agreement, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valarie McClain, Administrative Assistant & Recording Clerk



July 24, 2019 Kendall County Animal Control Census

June 2019 Dog

Dog Intakes: 29
Dogs Adopted: 1
Reclaimed: 15
Transferred: 1
Euthanized: 0

June 2019 Cats

Cat Intakes: 2
Cats Adopted: 2
Cats Reclaimed: 0
Transferred: 0
Euthanized: 0

July 2019 End of Year / 2018 Comparisons

Dog Intakes: 24/114/144 Dogs Adopted: 5/12/31 Reclaimed: 18/76/93

Transferred to Rescue: 2/8/13

Euthanized: 3/4/1

Total Available Dogs: 7 / 0
Total Unavailable Dogs: 7 / 6

Cat Intakes: 5/19/45 Cats Adopted: 3/6/32 Cats Reclaimed: 0/1/2

Transferred to Rescue: 1/5/5

Euthanized: 0/2/1

Total Available Cats: 4 (2 cats / 2 Kittens) / 13 (5 Kittens/8 cats)
Total Unavailable Cats: 4 (3 Cats / 1 Kitten / 6 (4 Kittens / 2 Cats)

UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEDIA:

Volunteer Orientation: July 25, 2019 6pm-7:30

Oswego Police-Featured Pet with Officer Video: Wednesday July 24^t, 2019 at 2pm (Oswego Police Dept.)

Record Newspaper – Pet of the week: Waffles and Patch



JUNE 2019

BITE/EUTHANASIA REPORT

TOTAL BITES (TO (HUMAN) REPORTED TO KCAC FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2019

DATE	OWNER	BITING ANIMAL	PERSON BITTEN
6/1/19	OWNER	"JAX" PIT BULL (UTD/ALTERED)	OTHER
6/2/19	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	OTHER
6/2/19	OWNER	"GIZMO" GOLDEN RETRIEVER (UTD/ALTERED)	OTHER
6/9/19	OWNER	"LOYALTY" PIT BULL (UTD/INTACT)	OTHER
6/9/19	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	OTHER
6/10/19	OWNER	"SABRINA" RETRIEVER MIX (UTD/SPAY)	OWNER
6/10/19	OWNER	"AVERY" LABRADOR MIX (NOT UTD/ALTERED)	OTHER
6/10/19	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	OTHER
6/10/19	OWNER	"COSMO" TERRIER MIX (UTD/INTACT)	OWNER
6/13/19	OWNER	UNKNOWN CAT (NOT UTD/INTACT)	OWNER
6/13/19	OWNER	"LANEY" TERRIER MIX (UTD/ALTERED)	OTHER

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MULTIPLE BITES: 1 (LOYALTY - PIT BULL TERRIER 3/31/14 & 6/9/19)

PIT BULL	2
GOLDEN RETRIEVER	1
RETRIVER MIX	1
LABRADOR MIX	1
TERRIER MIX	2
UNKNOWN	3
UNKNOWN CAT	1
TOTAL:	44
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Financial Statements FY19
June 2019

KENDALL COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL Statement of Revenues And Expenditures 6/30/2019

	CURRENT YEAR			PRIOR YEAR		VARIANCE					
Animal Control Fund #350		FY19 Budget		June Actual		YTD Actual	YTD Percent of Budget		6/30/18 YTD	100	FY19 YTD V. FY18 YTD
REVENUE					_			V2.0			
Rables Tags Sold	\$	195,000	\$	21,715	\$	125,060	64.1%	\$	126,586	S	(1,526)
Fines & Fees (Total)	_	28,000		1,472		5,055	. 18.1%		13,312		(8,257)
Donations	ļ	5,000		368		5,673	113.5%		2,078		3,595
Intact Registration Fee	_	10,000		895		5,190	51.9%		4,795		395
Miscellaneous		300				li li			. 25		(25)
Total Revenue	\$	238,300	\$	24,450	\$	140,978	59.2%	\$	146,796	\$	(5,818)
EXPENDITURE									1		
Salary - Animal Control Warden	\$	50,219	\$	3,863	\$	28,954	57.7%	\$	28,404	\$	550
Salary - Assistant Warden		30,597				260	0.9%		17,304		(17,044)
Salary - Other		58,092		5,544		19,181	33.0%		28,343	116	(9,162)
Salary - Administrator		6,500		500		3,750	57.7%	400	3,750	100	(Allegery
Overtime		1,500						100	Mark I	Ь	
Supplies		1,500		53		833	55.5%	313	600	7	233
Postage		1,400		391		768	54.9%		878		(110)
Training		1,500		450		520	34.7%	100	1,701		(1,181)
Telephone & Pager		250		21		80	31.9%		97		(17)
Equipment		3,500				1,556	44.4%	.5	1,390		166
Vehicle Expense & Gasoline		2,200		85		1,139	51.8%		317		822
Uniforms		750		191		191	25.5%	- 2	Austral Bill		191
Volunteers/Public Relations		1,000				123	12.3%	13	428		(305)
Neuter/Spay Fees											175000
Rabies Tags		2,500				2,008	80.3%	V	181		1,827
Transportation, Board & Care		10,000		172		12,840	128.4%	93	4,518		8,322
Kennel Improvements		,				35					35
Observation/Disposal		500		25		175	35.0%	1	120		55
Microchips		2,000				- 1	00.070	147.0	477		(477)
Capital Expenditures		2,500				-			1,419		(1,419)
Total Operating Expenditure	\$	176,508	\$	11,296	\$	72,411	41.0%	\$	89,927	\$	(17,516)
TRANSFERS OUT											
Transfer to General Fund	\$	60,078	\$	581	\$	5,444	9.1%	\$	16,684	s	(11,240)
Transfer to IMRF Fund		11,000		737		3,641	33.1%		6,876		(3,235)
Transfer to Building Fund		10,000									
Transfer to SS Fund		11,000		753		3,686	33.5%		- 5,555	14	(1,869)
Total Transfers Out	s	92,078	\$	2,072	\$	12,770	13.9%	\$	29,115	\$	(16,345)
Total Expenditure & Transfers Out	\$	200 500	¢	40 000	e	0E 404	04 70/		440.040		1000
Total Revenue Over/(Under)	φ	268,586	\$	13,368	Ф	85,181	31.7%	\$	119,042	3	(33,861)
the same of the sa	\$	(30,286)	\$	11,082	\$	55,797		\$	27,7,54	\$	28,043

KENDALL COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL FUND #350 FUND (CASH) BALANCE FY 2019

MONTH	FY19 Monthly REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES	FY19 FUND (CASH) BALANCE	FY18 Monthly REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENSES	FY18 FUND (CASH) BALANCE
Beginning Fund (Cash) Balance		\$ 185,793		\$ 185,196
December-18	\$ (2,924)	182,869	\$ 917	186,113
January-19	4,778	187,647	26,202	212,314
February-19	19,759	207,406	(5,972)	206,342
March-19	12,025	219,431	(7,556)	198,787
April-19	12,388	231,819	12,308	211,095
May-19	(1,311)	230,508	3,894	214,989
June-19	11,082	241,590	(2,039)	212,950
July-19		241,590	11,406	224,356
August-19		241,590	8,422	232,779
September-19		241,590	(2,515)	230,263
October-19		241,590	10,768	241,031
November-19		241,590	(55,238)	185,793
Fund (Cash) YTD Fund Balance	\$ 55,797	\$ 241,590	\$ 597	\$ 185,793

KENDALL COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL FUND #350 VOUCHERS PAID June-2019

LINE	VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	
3502-000-6200	SUPPLIES Source One Office Products	Office Supplies	\$ 53.49	53.49
3502-000-6201	POSTAGE First National Bank of Omaha	Postage	391.32	391.32
3502-000-6206	TRAINING First National Bank of Omaha	Training	450.00	450.00
3502-000-6207	TELEPHONE & PAGER Sprint	Telephone & Pager	21.25	21.25
3502-000-6217	VEHICLE EXPENSE & GASOLINE Kendail County Highway Dept Merlin	Vehicle - Gas Oil Change	46.40 38.85	85.25
3502-000-6369	UNIFORMS First National Bank of Omaha Steve's Silk Screening	Uniforms Uniforms	58.85 132.00	190.85
3502-000-6897	TRANSPORTATION, BOARD & CARE Countryside Veterinary Clinic Countryside Veterinary Clinic Shaw Media	Rables 1 Year Vaccination Transportation, Board & Care Kennel Ad	10.00 147.21 15.00	172.21
3502-000-6900	OBSERVATION/DISPOSAL First National Bank of Omaha	Bat Euthenasia	25.00	25.00
		TOTAL	\$ 1,	389.37

KENDALL COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL Statement of Revenues And Expenditures -6/30/2019

Animal Control Capital Fund #3

The state of the s	FY19 Budget	June Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Percent of Budget	Fund I	Balance
Beginning Balance	\$ 142,293		\$ 142,293		FY10 FY11	\$70,000 87,769
Revenue Other Revenue	 _	_			FY12 FY13	41,062 46,762
Total Revenue	32	-			FY14 FY15	51,661 69,276
Expenditure Expense - Building Improvements Capital Expenditure	70,000	19,066	21,807 386	31.2%	FY16 FY17 FY18	125,571 134,712 142,293
Total Expenditure	70,000	19,066	22,193	31.7%	FY19	120,100
Transfers In Transfers In - from Animal Control Fund Total Transfers In	 10,000		 			
Ending Balance	\$ 82,293	(19,066)	\$ 120,100			

Animal Medical Care Fund #341

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Beginning Balance	\$	26,165		\$	26,165		FY14	21,935
Revenue							FY15 FY16	33,497 32,810
Donations & Receipts		1,000				0.0%	FY17	32,325
Total Revenue		1,000	-		-	0.0%	FY18	26,165
- "							FY19	23,586
Expenditure Animal Medical Care Expenses		2 000			0.405	00.00/		
•		3,000			2,425	80.8%		
Heartworm Testing		500	22		110	22.0%		
FeLuk/FiV Testing		750	22		44	5.9%		
Total Expenditure		4,250	44		2,579	60.7%		
Ending Balance	\$	22,915	\$ (44)	\$	23,586			

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State Pet I	Population (Control Fund	#860
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	FY19 Sudget	June Actual	YTD Actual	YTD Percent of Budget	Fund E	lalance
Beginning Balance	\$ 12,375		\$ 12,375		FY10 FY11	\$915 780
Revenue Dogs Running at Large Fee Dangerous Dog Fee Vicious Dog Fee Impoundment Dog Bites	1,500	100	240	16.0%	FY12 FY13 FY14 FY15 FY16 FY17	1,980 110 5,865 7,990 9,830 11,315
Total Revenue	1,500	100	240	16.0%	FY18 FY19	12,375 12,589
Expenditure Transfer to County Animal Population Control Fund	12,375					
Remittance to State of IL.	 40.075	26	 26			
Total Expenditure	12,375	26	26			
Ending Balance	\$ 1,500	74	\$ 12,589			

Animal Population Control Fund #870

Animar Population Control Pung #670		FY19 Budget	June Actual		YTD Actual	YTD Percent of Budget		
Beginning Balance	\$	108,859		\$	108,859			Balance
Revenue Fees		12,000	1,030		6,565	54.7%	FY10 FY11 FY12	\$29,314 46,246 60,939
Total Revenue		12,000	1,030		6,565	54.7%	FY13 FY14	64,358 71,549
Expenditure Spay/Neuter Adopted Dogs/Cats Spay/Neuter Targeted Dogs/Cats		4,500	175		2,932	65.2%	FY15 FY16	83,094 97,935
Total Expenditure	_	5,000 9,500	420 595		740 3,672	14.8% 38.7%	FY17 FY18 FY19	106,508 108,859 111,752
Transfers In Transfer from State Pet Population Control Fund Total Transfers In		12,375 12,375	-	_				,
Ending Balance	\$	123,734	\$ 436	\$	111,752			



802 W. John St Yorkville, IL 60560 630-553-9256, Fax: 630-553-1615 animals@co.kendall.il.us

DOG ADOPTION APPLICATION

This application must be fully completed in order to be processed.

Pate:
ame of Pet Wanted:
lame:
ddress:
ity: State: Zip : County
Iome Phone: ()Cell Phone: ()
mail Address:
1. Do you live in: House Apartment Townhouse Condo Other:
2. Do you own or rent? a. If renting, provide landlord's b. Name: Phone: (Please attach copy of lease and approved pet rider to this application.)
3. Please list everyone who lives at your address, including yourself.
Name Age Allergies? (Y/N)
4. Are you, or anyone in your household, prevented by court order from owning, harboring, or having custody or control over an animal? Yes No
5. The reason I /we want this pet is?

	7. How many hours a day will this animal be left alone?8. Where will this animal be kept when you are not at home?							
Name	Species/Breed	als you have owned Inside? Outside? Both?	Age	Sex	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Still Own? If not, why?	Up to date or vaccinations	
11. Ho	ow do you plan on	n house breaking yo	our dog	?				
12. Ho	ow do you plan on	ı training your dog	? (i.e. te	aching	to walk nicely (on a leash, not j	ump up, etc.)	
13. If 3	you move, what w	yould you do with y	our pet	?				
• I a	g below, I certify m 18 years of age te information I h		ie and a	ccurate	e to the best of n	ny knowledge		
Signatu	ıre				Γ	Date		

^{*}Adoptions may be refused at the discretion of the Animal Control staff.



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<u>CAT ADOPTION APPLICATION</u>

This application must be fully completed in order to be processed.

Date:		
Name of Pet Wanted:		
Name:		
Address:		
City: State: Zip	: County	
Home Phone: (C	Cell Phone: ()	
Email Address:		
1. Do you live in: House Apartm		
2. Do you own or rent? a. If renting, provide landlords b. Name: (Please attach copy of lease and approved) 3. Please list everyone who lives at your	d pet rider to this application	n.)
Name	Age	
4. Are you, or anyone in your household having custody or control over an ani	d, prevented by court order imal? Yes N	from owning, harboring, or Io

8. Where	will this animal be k	this animal be left alo	at home?			
9. Please ii Name	Species/Breed	have owned in the pas Inside? Outside? Both?	Age	Sex	Spay/Neuter	Still Own
11. Please l	ist the name and ph	one number of your p	eterinaria			
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Email application to animals@co.kendall.il.us
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Section 4: Adoption Fees. The following fees shall be imposed on all individuals who adopt an animal from Kendall County Animal Control Department:

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Pupples	6 months or less	ANY	Ś	135.00
Dogs	more than 6 months	0-59	\$	120.00
Dogs	more than 6 months	60-89	\$	60.00
Dogs	more than 6 months	90+	Waive Fee	
Kittens	3 months or less	ANY	Ġ	95.00
Cats	more than 3 months	0-59	é	
Cats	more than 3 months	60-89	6	70.00
Cats	more than 3 months	90+	- P	35.00 Vaive Fee

No adopted animal shall be released by the Kendall County Animal Control Department until the adoption fees are paid in full.

Section 5: Superseding Prior Ordinances. Upon its effective date, this Ordinance replaces and supersedes all previous ordinances which establish fees for the specific circumstances identified above.

Section 6: Effective Date. This Ordinance and the regulations contained therein shall be in full force and effect on and after the date signed below.

ADOPTED and APPROVED this 18th day of June, 2019.

Approved:

Attest:

Scott R. Gryder

Kendall County Board Chairman

Debbie Gillette

Kendall County Clerk

Rescue

If an animal is not reclaimed within the period of time established by County Ordinance, it may be transferred to licensed rescues. Owner-surrendered animals can be transferred after 24 hours. All transfers are at the discretion of the Animal Control staff with final approval by the Director. Animal Control will disclose and provide copies of any information they have in relation to the animal to the licensed rescue including medical information, temperament testing results, and when applicable the background profile completed by the owner, with the exception of the previous owner's name and contact information. A representative from a licensed rescue must fill out and sign the transfer agreement, including the waiver of liability portion of the agreement. Once the transfer agreement form is complete, the animal is the property of the licensed rescue and no longer property of Animal Control.

Adoption

Adoptions will be conducted during viewing hours only.

Monday - Tuesday: 10:30 am - 12:30 pm, 1:30 - 4:30 pm Thursday - Friday: 10:30 am - 12:30 pm, 1:30 - 4:30 pm

Saturday: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm

All animals presented for adoption, and permitted to have contact with the public, must be spay/neutered, and microchipped, and must have undergone a behavior assessment by trained staff. Volunteer involvement in the adoption process is limited to providing general information. Volunteers are not permitted to speak on behalf of Animal Control.

The primary goal for the staff is to counsel people in order to facilitate an appropriate adoption match for the new owner and animal. The staff will educate the adopter about the species and breed as well as provide information on that specific animal's care.

If someone is interested in adopting, they must fill out and sign the appropriate (dog or cat) adoption application. The staff will make a copy of the applicant's driver's license or state ID. The applicant will need to provide proof of residency if their ID does not list their current address. Trained staff will then sit down with the applicant and review the application for approval.

The questions on the application are not yes or no but rather conversational with the intent of discussing the answers provided and educating the applicant when necessary. Again the purpose is to insure the applicant is informed and willing to use their knowledge to have the addition of an animal be a successful one. Animal Control's goal is to place animals into forever homes.

Minimum requirements for adoption are as follows:

- 18 years old or older
- Provide proof of residency (Animal Control may check the tax assessor's website to confirm this.)
- Landlord approval in writing
- Everyone in the household must meet the animal
- Dogs and cats in the home must be up to date on their vaccines and yearly exam
- No household member is listed on our do not adopt list (reasons include lying on previous adoption application, relinquishing multiple animals, convicted of animal neglect/abuse, etc.)
- The animal is being adopted as part of the family, not for strictly utilitarian purposes (i.e. guard dog for a business, mouser for a barn)
- The animal is primarily indoors and will not be allowed to roam free
- If adopting a dog, any resident dogs must come to the shelter to do a dog to dog introduction. The introduction must be deemed successful by Animal Control staff before the dog may be adopted.

Dog to Dog Introduction Procedure

Kendall County Animal Control trained staff conducts dog to dog introductions by industry standards of introducing the resident dog to the adoption dog in a controlled environment on neutral territory. All pet owners must sign a waiver of liability before the dog to dog introduction is commenced.

- 1. A minimum of two trained Animal Control staff members must be present.
- 2. The shelter dog and resident dog will both be on leash, walked by two different staff members, side by side. (A straight on greeting can be confrontational for dogs.) Staff will observe both dogs' body language to determine the comfort level of each dog.
- 3. If staff is comfortable with the dogs' interactions, the dogs will be moved into the fenced in play area. At this time staff will allow one dog, the less reactive dog, to be unleashed (or the leash may simply be let go). Staff will observe both dogs' body language to determine the comfort level of each dog.
- 4. If the staff feels it is safe to proceed, both dogs will be taken off leash while in the fenced in play area and the dogs' body language will be observed.
- 5. The staff will provide feedback to the potential adopter based on the behavior observed by both dogs. They may determine that the dogs are a great match and the adoption can proceed. They may determine there are some minor concerns but the adoption may proceed as long as the potential adopter understands these concerns and how to manage them. The staff may also determine that this is not a good match and thus the adoption for this specific dog is declined. This does not mean that they may not adopt a different dog.

- 6. If the staff feels at anytime that the safety of either dog, or the people participating, is in question, the dog to dog introduction will be stopped immediately. No dog will be adopted out into a home when the dog to dog introduction procedure could not be completed.
- 7. If the potential adopter has more than one dog, the adoption dog will go through the process one dog at a time.

Animal Control does not perform dog to cat introductions, nor cat to cat introduction. A cat's social structure is very different than that of a dog. Thus it is difficult to get an accurate reading by placing a cat in a room with a new animal. Staff will counsel people on how to appropriately introduce a new cat into their household.

Someone who lives out of the area may adopt as long as they meet the adoption requirements. Once an adoption application has been completed, the animal applied for may be put on hold until the end of the next business day. If the applicant does not fulfill the requirements or return to complete the adoption, the animal will go back to being open for adoption. In the event there is another application on that animal, the animal will then be on hold for that applicant until the end of the next business day. A maximum of three applications per animal will be accepted. Holds will not be extended past the end of the next business day.

An adoption application may be turned down at the discretion of the Animal Control staff. An application may be turned down because that particular animal is not a good fit (i.e. is nervous around the children, causes an allergic reaction, etc.) but another animal could be suitable or the application may be turned down completely (i.e. lies on the application, is over the animal limit for where they live, etc.). If the application is turned down as to the particular animal, the individual need not complete a new application if he or she wishes to adopt a different animal.

Once the adoption application has been completely approved, the adopter will then fill out and sign the Animal Adoption Contract and sign the Voluntary Release/Waiver. The adopter will also read and sign the Health Record for the animal. The adopter will receive a copy of the signed adoption agreement, the signed medical sheet, any additional medical information, microchip information, and a list of veterinarians that provide a free first exam for animals adopted from Animal Control. The adopter must then pay the appropriate adoption fee set by County ordinance.

Once the adoption is completed, the animal becomes the property of the adopter and no longer property of Animal Control.

Kendall County Animal Control does everything in its power to evaluate the animals in their care and place them in appropriate homes. However in the case an animal is returned, the following policy applies:

- Animals adopted from Kendall County Animal Control may be accepted as returns if returned within the first 3 business days from the date of the adoption contract.
- No adoption fees will be refunded.
- If the animal is returned within 3 business days from time of adoption due to severe medical or behavior issues, at the discretion of the Director, the adopter may be issued a certificate of adoption. The adopter may use the certificate for the adoption of another animal from the facility within a 3 month period. No adoption fee will be refunded.