PAPER CITIES KENNEL CLUB MEETING Willow Springs Gardens, Wausau March 15, 2023

Roll call was taken. Noting that a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order by President Strassburger at 7:04 PM.

Guest: Deb Brown and Nicole Vermote (and her dog Tula)

The minutes for the February 15, 2023 club meeting were read by Rose Gottung, and stand as read.

President's Report: None

Treasurer's Report:

Receipts -- \$752.31; Disbursements -- \$750.00; Balance -- \$16,082.95; Raffle -- \$3,221.70

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Nothing to report.

Committees:

Audit: Planning to be done on Wednesday, March 22.

Awards: Nothing to report. **Barn Hunt**: No report.

Canine Ambassadors: Going to Riverside school in Ringle tomorrow, March 16, and then to the Rothschild Library on March 23. We have been asked by the Athens 4-H to come to a meeting of theirs on Sunday, April 2.

Donations: Our donation to Crossroads K9 Rescue was made before the board meeting on

Wednesday, March 1.

Education/Training: No report.

Historian: No report.

Legislative Liaison: Nothing to report.

Match: Nothing to report.

Meet the Breeds: Nothing to report.

Membership: Nothing to report.

Parliamentarian: Nothing to report.

Party Animals: Next up will be our picnic, usually held on the Sunday of Labor Day weekend.

Property: Nothing to report.

Public Education Coordinator: Nothing to report.

Public Relations: Getting to that time of year when we will start publicizing our Fast CAT events. **Raffle:** There was discussion regarding a cause for the raffle. Several organizations mentioned were Gunnar's Wheels Foundation, Headwaters Search & Rescue K9, and Adopt-A-Vest. Rose will send an email to the membership asking for suggestions so we can vote on it next month, so the committee can get started on their contacts for potential donors.

Seminars and Programs: No report.

Show and Obedience/Rally Trials: Our 2023 weekend is September 9 and 10, 2023.

- Barb Powers reported food was previously done by the Merrill Area Youth Hockey Association but they are no longer doing so. Barb said she contacted Ed and Sharon's and they do have a food truck that could be parked on site. Paula Crotteau expressed her objection to this as she said it will affect the number of exhibitors coming into the building for the raffle. Or another option would be to have our raffle outdoors under a tent. Barb Powers will find out from the representative of the Merrill Area Youth Hockey Association how many they served last year.
- Rose Gottung commented that Cherilyn Hoerman questioned about the possibility of us having two rally trials on Saturday, and only one on Sunday, so the day does not go too long.
- Rose Gottung reported Phil and Cindy Rustad are available to be our obedience and rally judges provided that they are able to bring their camper with mileage paid for their vehicle plus an additional \$.50 a mile for their camper and any camping fees. After discussion concerning whether we can accommodate their request, a motion was made by John Crotteau that we agree to the judges' terms. Seconded by Mike Hanus; motion carried.

Sunshine: Karen Strassburger reported she sent cards to Sue Lewitzke (medical) and Brenda Blume (shoulder surgery).

Website: No report.

<u>Membership Application</u>: The second reading of the membership application for Deb Brown was given by Barb Powers. Voting by secret ballot was held, and we welcome Deb to the club.

Unfinished Business:

- Fast CAT Weekend June 17 and 18, 2023: The Rib Mountain Lions Club is secured as our food vendor. Emails have gone out to club members asking for their support, and to volunteer they should contact Sue Webber.
- The Buyers Guide/Wausau Times. We can use this media source to publicize events and our Canine Ambassador program. It was noted this publication reaches 46,000 households, and that they are looking for community activities to cover. Sarah Beaumont prepared an article about our donation to Crossroads K9 Rescue.

New Business: None

Thanks to Barb Powers for bringing treats. John and Paula Crotteau volunteered to bring treats to the April meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:52 PM.

Submitted by: Rose Gottung

Note: Members are invited to attend board meetings and any committee meeting.