

**Lincoln County  
Finance & Insurance Committee  
William Buedingen Training Room  
Town of Bradley  
May 20, 2008  
5:30 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Robert Lee, Richard Berndt, Carl Short

**Visitors:** Dan Leydet, Nancy Bergstrom, Jill Janikowski, Jennifer Moore, Cecil Ballou, Pamela Galella, Darla Sann, Andrea Galella, Cheyann Habeck, Bob Lussow

**1. Meeting called to order** at 5:30 p.m.

**2. Humane Society's Request for \$15,000 from Contingency Fund-** Leydet explained to the Committee that he received a request for operating funds in the amount of \$15,000 from Jill Janikowski on May 14<sup>th</sup>. Leydet went on to discuss his concerns about the Humane Society's ability to continue to operate on a long-term basis given they have a projected budget deficit of \$75,000 by the end of the year. Leydet said the County could not afford to fund at that level. Concerns over the adoption fees were raised. The Humane Society's members outlined their fundraising efforts (ahead of budget by \$3,923) and said they needed governmental funding in order to operate. It was mentioned that they will approach the towns and cities for financial support. Moore acknowledged that expenses will have to be lowered. Janikowski reported that they have recently received over \$14,000 in donations and are not in danger of closing in the near future. The Finance Committee requested that the Humane Society present a long-term sustainable financial plan for the Finance Committee at the June meeting. No funds were forwarded to the Humane Society at this time.

**3. Adjourn-** Motion by Berndt, Second by Short to adjourn at 6:00 p.m.- all voting aye.

Submitted by,

Dan Leydet  
Finance Director