

Resolution Regarding Free Roaming Feral and Stray Cats

Purpose

It is the purpose of this Resolution to state the support and involvement by the mayor, city council and citizens of Randolph, Iowa of a plan by Best Friends Animal Society, other animal welfare organizations, and the community to manage humanely free roaming feral and stray cats living in the town of Randolph, Iowa.

The plan will address community concerns about nuisance, risk of disease, and attacks on pets and at the same time manage and treat free roaming feral and stray cats humanely.

Resolution

It is resolved by the mayor and city council of Randolph, Iowa to allow Best Friends Animal Society and other animal welfare organizations, with the assistance of community members, to establish the following plan:

- Spay/ Neuter approximately 100 free-roaming and owned cats in the town of Randolph
- Vaccinate all 100 cats (owned, feral and stray) with rabies and combo
- Test visibly sick cats, kittens, or cats to be placed in foster care for FIV and FELV
- Perform humane euthanasia on a vet's recommendation for severely sick or injured cats
- Microchip owned cats
- Relocate friendly stray cats to animal shelters and rescues in other towns for adoption and foster care
- Establish free-roaming, managed colonies for feral cats, relocating nuisance cats outside town limits
- Provide a 6-month supply of cat food for each caregiver committed to managing a colony
- Return owned or community cats to their normal territory
- Provide the town with all necessary on-the-ground volunteers to support trapping, transport, pre and post surgery care, and relocation of the cats
- Set up a workshop to train local community members on how to set up and manage a successful Trap Neuter Return program and maintain it
- Public relations support to show the town of Randolph cares about cats!
- Establish long-term relationship with Feline Friends for any future needs regarding free-roaming cats

The timeline for the plan is expected to be as follows:

1. Initial assessment end 3/21/08 or as soon after as possible;
2. Spay/Neuter surgeries and vaccinations (dates may vary depending on scheduling)
 - 20 owned cats plus microchips 3/24/08 - ongoing
 - 30 surgeries: friendly strays and owned cats Thursday - 04/03
 - 30 surgeries: friendly strays and owned cats Thursday - 04/10
 - 40 surgeries: strays and ferals Saturday - 04/19
 - 40 surgeries: strays, ferals, and remaining owned Saturday - 04/26
3. Relocation 1-2 wks post surgery or as soon after as possible;

4. Workshop on TNR and Maintain
5. Exit

Wednesday – 04/02 or as soon after as possible;
 Saturday – 05/10 or as soon after as possible.

Participating agencies:

| Name | Organization represented | Phone | E-mail address |
|----------------------|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Dr. Jamison | Fremont County Vet. Clinic | 712-374-2721 | |
| Shelly Kottet | Best Friends | 435-689-1221 | ShellyK@bestfriends.org |
| Loni Hook | Hearts United for Animals | 402-616-5002 | lori@hua.org |
| Elizabeth Hann | Feline Friendz in Nebraska | 402-554-4390 402-980-5013 | |
| Linn Cipperley-Price | Animal Protection and Education | 515-571-2274 | united4ape@hotmail.com |
| Barb Crandell | Animal Protection and Education | 515-571-9175 | www.goape.info |
| Jenny Gerritse | Hearts United for Animals | 402-639-2561 | jenny@hua.org |
| Dawn Singleton Olson | PVP – Medical Supplies | 402-553-4169 | dawn.singleton-olson@pvp.com |
| Sherry Haftings | Feline Friendz in Nebraska | 402-493-7491 | sherryhaftings@aol.com |
| Laurie Cook | Feline Friendz in Nebraska | 402-431-8991 | lcook35209@aol.com |
| Linda Blakely | Raccoon Valley Animal Sanctuary and Rescue | 515-577-1745 | rvaspets@msn.com |
| Joe Pundzak | Raccoon Valley | 515-432-1498 | |

Equipment and services committed to by participating agencies:

Traps

- 30-40 Tomahawk quick release rear door traps

Housing

- 6 insulated shelters able to hold 4-5 cats per unit
- 50 carriers
- Relocation pens

Food

- 2 feeding stations
- Six month supply food

Veterinary Services

- 60 appointments @ \$25 each
- Microchips
- Vaccines: 100 rabies plus 100 combo
- Misc vet supplies: autoclave

It is further resolved by the mayor and city council of Randolph, Iowa:

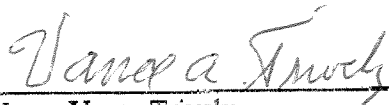
To allow the participating agencies to set traps, place housing and feeding stations for feral or stray cats and establish managed feral cat colonies pursuant to the plan as appropriate on public property in the town of Randolph;

To allow the relocation of feral cats to managed feral cat colonies and agree the cats will be free roaming and not impound or encourage the impoundment or disposal of these cats;

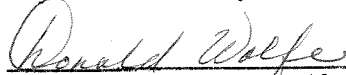
To work with the participating agencies to resolve any complaints about any of the cats that have been relocated to managed feral cat colonies; and

To review and consider ordinances necessary to allow ongoing trap neuter return and managed feral cat colonies in the town of Randolph.

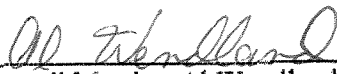
Dated this 20 day of March, 2008.



Mayor Vance Trively



Council Member Don Wolfe



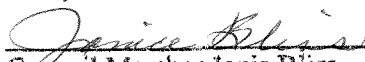
Council Member Al Wendland



Council Member Fred Fichter



Council Member Manford Foster



Council Member Janis Bliss