Animal Intake Policy:

Intake of Animals General, accurate and consistent record keeping and tracking of all animals housed at Amherst County Animal Shelter are essential for overall control and care of animal’s falls into six categories- owner surrenders, seized, received from other, bite, born in shelter, and strays. These certain procedures apply to all.

Every animal is evaluated at time of arrival to the shelter. They are weighed, checked for microchip and any obvious signs of injury on intake, checked again for microchip. Then they are placed in the appropriate kennel/cage with a bowl of fresh water and food.

(Animal Intake Form, Cage Card etc.) Processing Paperwork is to be filled out in full. All information is to be recorded appropriately on the Intake Form. Each animal receives a log number and paperwork is placed in appropriate binder corresponding to the Current Month for the correct species.

Every individual surrendering an animal must sign a statement that they are the rightful owner of the animal. Then ownership is relinquished to the shelter. Paperwork also includes disclosures of bite history.

Animals coming into the shelter must be from the County of Amherst or previously adopted from the Amherst Humane Society and copy of proper identification is required.