



Marilyn Lawrie has been named the interim executive director for the Quinte Humane Society. *FILE PHOTO*

welcomed Lawrie to the team as the interim executive director while the search for a permanent appointment is underway.

"The executive director is very important to the work of the humane society in that they work closely with the board of directors to realize the vision, mission and objectives set for the organization," explained Quinte Humane Society board of directors' chairperson Donna Endicott. "They are the face and voice of the organization and ensure that daily operations are meeting the care requirements of the animals in care, are supporting the staff who carry out the vital work of the shelter and that the organization is responding in a positive way to the service needs of the community."

Currently working as the general manager/digital media manager for Stirling Festival Theatre, Lawrie will be working halftime for Quinte Humane Society while the organization continues with the recruitment efforts for a permanent executive director.

Lawrie is a well-known member of the Quinte community. In the past, she has held a number of administrative and management positions throughout the Quinte region. Lawrie brings experience and knowledge from previous

employment with The Quinte Ballet School of Canada, the Belleville Downtown Improvement Area, the Quinte Symphony and the Quinte Arts Council as well as Loyalist College.

"We are delighted to have Marilyn bring her extensive experience working in community organizations to the Quinte Humane Society," said Endicott. "Our campaign to build a new community and regional animal care centre is well underway and Marilyn's interim leadership will let us continue our efforts to raise those critical funds for the new building."

The Quinte Humane Society continues its search for a new executive director while continuing to raise the funds to build a new community and regional animal care centre to serve all of Hastings and Prince Edward counties.

"QHS will be looking for a self-starter who welcomes challenges and who gains immense satisfaction in supporting animals in need," said Endicott. "The individual will be able to develop strong relationships with our various stakeholders and be a positive ambassador for the organization. The executive director will bring previous leadership experience and demonstrated accomplishments in business and management."