

CITY OF RUTLAND, VERMONT
Board of Animal Control Minutes
Monday, February 25, 2019

Members present; Chris Siliski, Matt Whitcomb, Sean Sergeant and Dr. Luther Brown. Also present, ACO Jones, Chief Kilcullen, Deputy Clerk Kapusta, Henry Heck, Kim Heck, Linda Groce, Sue Johnson, Seth Field, Laurie Senecal and Lynn Dorsky.

At 7:01 PM Chair Sargeant called the meeting to order.

Chair Sargeant read the details of the complaint requested by ACO Jones. Chair Sargeant then explained the process to the hearing and asked anyone giving evidence to rise and be sworn in by the Deputy Clerk. Deputy Clerk Kapusta administered the oath.

ACO Jones then provided a brief overview and reviewed the history of the dog "Brady" owned by Laurie Senecal. Kim Heck gave testimony to the incident that occurred on February 10, 2019. Henry Heck gave testimony to the multiple visits their dog "Ella" has had to date with the Veterinary. Mr. Heck provided invoices and pictures of Ella's wounds that were admitted into evidence. Sue Johnson gave testimony to an incident in July 2018 that she had with Brady and her dog. Linda Groce testified to the demeanor of Ella and how well she is trained to respond to commands. There has been one documented attack and a couple complaints about by Brady.

With no more verbal or physical evidence to give, Chair Sargeant asked the owner, Laurie Senecal to speak to the allegations. Ms. Senecal testified that Brady resides at her home and that she was not with Brady during the incident but her friend, Seth Field was. Seth Field gave testimony to his side of the incident. Lynn Dorsky provided testimony to the demeanor Brady around children and other animals.

After some back and forth questions with Mr. Field and Mrs. Heck, Chair Sargeant asked for a motion to move into deliberative session to discuss the evidence and to decide on the request.

At 7:54 PM a motion was made and seconded (Brown, Siliski) to move into deliberative session.
Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy L. Kapusta
Deputy Rutland City Clerk
Clerk of the Board of Animal Control