

CITY OF RUTLAND, VERMONT
Board of Animal Control Minutes
Tuesday, May 9, 2023

Members present; Sean Sargeant, Carrie Savage, Peg Flory and Joe Barbagallo. Also present, Animal Control Officer Jones, Officer Rice, City Clerk Kapusta, Attorney Bloomer, Donald Pitaniello and Shayna Lamoria.

Chair Sargeant called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM and noted that the Board was here for the continuation of the hearing from April 25, 2023. Chair Sargeant introduced all members and participants present. Chair Sargeant asked Clerk Kapusta to swear in if there were any conflicts or ex-parte communications from the Board. Seeing none, Chair Sargeant asked Clerk Kapusta to swear in Officer Tim Rice.

Office Rice read his police report and an amendment to the report regarding the dog attack that occurred on February 15, 2023. In addition to this report, Officer Rice's body cam was played. ACO Jones read to prior police reports from March 24, 2023 and October 13, 2020. Chair Sargeant then noted the police reports, amendment and body cam footage were placed into evidence.

Mr. Pitaniello stated that during the attack he had lost his glasses and could not be sure as to which one of Ms. Lamoria's dogs attacked him. He could not determine if it was Nova or Bruin.

There was a brief Q & A with Mr. Pitaniello and Ms. Lamoria and the Board.

With no further questions from the Board, testimony or evidence from either party, the Board concluded the open meeting session at 6:25 PM.

At 6:26 PM the Board went into deliberative session. At 6:53 PM the Board adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracy L. Kapusta
Interim Clerk of the Board of Animal Control