

CITY OF RUTLAND, VERMONT
Board of Animal Control Minutes
Thursday, June 16, 2016

Members present; Sean Sargeant, William Notte, Vanessa Robertson, Thomas Calcagni and Dr. Luther Brown. Also present, Nicole Linker, Eric Diaz, Attorney Romeo, Chief Kilcullen, Sargeant Sheldon and City Clerk Heck.

At 6:00 PM Chair Sargeant called the meeting to order and introduced all members and participants present.

Clerk Heck swore in both Nicole Linker and Eric Dias

Chair Sargeant noted that the Board was asked to hear a vicious dog complaint from David Cole, Attorney for Mecina Bottaro on a dog named Monkey. Neither Attorney Cole nor Ms. Bottaro were present at the hearing.

The dog resides in Rutland, but bit Ms. Bottaro in Killington. Nicole Linker the owner of the dog gave a brief explanation of the event, stating her daughter was walking Monkey on a trail with Eric Dias when Ms. Bottaro walking up the trail approached Monkey. Mr. Diaz was also present and shared his version of the incident, noting Skylar had pulled Monkey to the side of the trail and Ms. Bottaro approached the dog and was bite when she turned to walk away.

The Board asked various questions about the incident. Officer Sheldon did present and entered evidence into the record on several events associated with Monkey. Ms. Linker had a letter from her daughter Skylar who wrote about the incident. The letter was placed as evidence.

There was no further testimony.

At 6:46 PM a motion to move into deliberative session was made and seconded (Notte, Brown).
Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Henry A. Heck
Rutland City Clerk
Clerk of the Board of Animal Control