



Animal Control

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~ Minutes ~

City Clerk

Wednesday, April 12, 2017

3:30 PM

City Hall--Room 220

I. Call to Order

3:30 PM Meeting called to order on April 12, 2017 at City Hall--Room 220, 36 Court Street, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
City Clerk		Present	

II. Reports

1. Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The Dog Advisory and Hearing Committee met on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 3:30 P.M. in the Ante Room, City Hall. Present from the Committee were Councilor Melvin A. Edwards, Anthony I. Wilson and Kim George. Also present were Julie Sandborn from Animal Control, Pamela Peebles the Director of Animal Control and Officer Keith Flemming.

A hearing was held pursuant to §110-10 of the Springfield City Ordinances to determine if the dog named "Chloe", residing at 28 Beaumont Terrace and owned by Chandler Davis, should be designated a nuisance animal. Chandler Davis did not appear for the hearing.

Officer Sandborn stated that she has responded to this address several times based on complaints from the neighbors for barking. She stated that the dog was left out in the rain on several occasions, that the dog house was in bad repair and that he refused to accept help in caring for the dog. In fact, Animal Control offered to give Mr. Daniels a free dog house. Mr. Davis regularly avoids animal control.

Councilor Edwards asked if the owner can be charged with animal abuse. Officer Sandborn stated that while the care for the dog is not very good, she does not believe that it reaches the level of animal abuse. Animal Control has issued two citations and is in the process of issuing a third.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the Committee voted unanimously that "Chloe" was a nuisance animal. The Committee ordered that:

1. The Owner meet with a behavioural consultant that is approved by Animal Control.
2. That "Chloe" be vaccinated and licensed.
3. That "Chloe" be spayed or neutered
4. That Chloe be microchipped with the City of Springfield as a contact
5. That the out door enclosure be upgraded to a level approved by Animal Control.
6. That "Chloe" shall not be outside of the residence unless attended.

7. That "Chloe" shall not be restrained by a chain.

In accordance with Sections 110-10 of the Code of the City of Springfield, 2012, as amended, any appeal of this decision may be filed in District Court in according with Chapter 140, Section 157(a) (4) (d) of the Massachusetts General Laws.

2. Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 185 Corona Street

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The Dog Advisory and Hearing Committee met on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 3:30 P.M. in the Ante Room, City Hall. Present from the Committee were Councilor Melvin A. Edwards, Anthony I. Wilson and Kim George. Also present were Gregory Jones, Krystal Martin, Julie Sandborn from Animal Control, Pamela Peebles the Director of Animal Control and Officer Keith Flemming.

A hearing was held pursuant to §110-10 of the Springfield City Ordinances to determine if the dog named "Diesel", residing at 185 Corona Street, should be designated as a nuisance animal.

Gregory Jones stated that "Diesel" Krystal's boyfriend's dog, who was not present at the hearing. He stated that there were several occasions when "Diesel" barked at him and "Diesel" got into his yard. He stated that Diesel attacked his dog but that there were no injuries.

Krystal stated that "Diesel" is her boyfriend's dog. She stated that her boyfriend was getting into his truck with the dog when "Diesel" started to bark. As soon as he told "Diesel" to get in the car, he did. Animal control has never observed the "Diesel" off the premises, unattended. No complaints from other neighbors. Krystal confirmed that "Diesel" is licensed in west springfield and vaccinated.

At the conclusion of the hearing, a vote to designate "Diesel" as a nuisance animal failed 2-1. With Melvin Edwards and Kim George voting in favor of designating "Diesel" as a nuisance and Anthony Wilson voting against.

3. Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The Dog Advisory and Hearing Committee met on Wednesday, April 12, 2017 at 3:30 P.M. in the Ante Room, City Hall. Present from the Committee were Councilor Melvin A. Edwards, Anthony I. Wilson and Kim George. Also present were Althea Stevenson, James Stevenson, Kristy Higgins, Joel Mercado, Julie Sandborn from Animal Control, Pamela Peebles the Director of Animal Control and Officer Keith Flemming.

A hearing was held pursuant to §110-10 of the Springfield City Ordinances to determine if the dogs named "Lady" and "Ice", residing at 151 Packard Street, should be designated as nuisance animals.

Kristy Higgins stated that the dogs have run loose in the neighborhood on several occasions. She stated that the dog attacked her daughter and bit her. She stated that there was another incident when the dog chased her daughter while she was riding her back and bit the child's tire.

James Stevenson stated that the dog has escaped from the house one time. He stated that the dog has never attacked anyone. He stated that the dog is usually in the back yard or in the house. Althea Steven stated that they have not had "Ice" for several years. She stated that Ms. Higgins' daughter was taunting "Lady". "Lady" ran out and scratched the girl.

At the conclusion of the hearing, the Committee voted unanimously that "Lady" was a nuisance animal. The Committee ordered that:

1. That "Lady" attend animal training classes as approved by Animal Control.
2. That "Lady" be vaccinated and licensed.
3. That "Lady" be spayed or neutered and that the supporting documentation be supplied to Animal Control.
4. That "Lady" be microchipped with the City of Springfield as a contact and the proof be provided to Animal Control.
5. The Owner must obtain and maintain animal liability insurance for "Lady" in an amount of at least \$100,000.00 per dog for the benefit of public safety and the owner must file a copy of the insurance policy with the City Clerk Office.

In accordance with Sections 110-10 of the Code of the City of Springfield, 2012, as amended, any appeal of this decision may be filed in District Court in according with Chapter 140, Section 157(a) (4) (d) of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Summary of Activities at 28 Beaumont Terrace for a pit bull type dog named "Chloe" owned by Chandler Daniels.

9/30/16-Animal Control was contacted regarding a well-being check and barking dog complaint.

10/5/16- Animal Control was contacted regarding a well-being check and barking dog complaint. The owner was issued a citation.

10/12/16-Animal control conducted a well-being check.

10/14/16-Animal Control visited the property for a well-being check and barking dog complaint.

10/21/16-Animal Control conducted a well-being check.

10/27/16-Animal Control conducted a well-being check; "Chloe" was not outside during this visit.

11/12/16-Animal Control visited the property twice this day for well-being checks and barking complaints; the owner was cited again.

12/7/16-Animal Control conducted a well-being check; "Chloe" was not observed outdoors.

12/13/16-Animal Control received another barking complaint. ACO Rivera made contact with the owner via phone and was informed "Chloe" was currently indoors.

12/16/16-Well-being check follow-up.

Details and findings of each of these visits can be found with the attached activity reports from Officer Sanborn. This nuisance hearing is requested by reporting party Denise Robideau. Her email communications and hearing request are also attached. Per DogTracker, "Chloe" is not licensed or currently rabies vaccinated.

Hannah Chapman

Animal Control Supervisor

TJO Animal Control

413-781-1484 X 1

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

On Oct 15, 2016 6:43 PM, "ddenise robideau" <ddeniserobideau@gmail.com> wrote:

Last year I reported to you about a dog that was being kept on a porch in 90 degree weather whho was in such distress he would lose his voice they talked to them n I didnt heear the constant barking til bout 3 weeks ago I felt he had no food n dishex were dirty with leaves n dirt no food no water I was going to attempt to ffree the dog but realized he had no socialization leaving m me to bdelieve she is being kept in basement n mabey used to fight or mate for \$\$ I have asked them to please take care of dog n got responded with GO FUCK YOURSELF father wS present n just went in n ignored my pleas its like listening to a baby cty all day n I cant help it he has no quality of life n frNkly wpuld be better off put down n not sufcer sny mpre its affecting my lifre cuz I cant sleep eat it mKez me cry daily please rescue this dog from misery ythank you Denise Robideu

From: ddenise robideau [mailto:ddeniserobideau@gmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 12:02 PM

To: Sanborn, Julie

Subject: Re: White pitbull on 28 beumont terrace

Im sorry but its starting again thet put him out at 5am and barks all day I think shes. Being put in at night but with windows closed im not sure they dont even put water or food for the day Its just I feel dog is so traumatized and needs sone kubd of quality to her life than to bark for 8hrs continuously, just thoyght I would update you

From: ddenise robideau [mailto:ddeniserobideau@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, December 14, 2016 6:33 AM

To: Sanborn, Julie

Subject: RE: White pitbull on 28 beumont terrace

I am requesting a hearing re pit bull at 28 beumont terrace They said they got rid of the dog but they didnt he is outside tonight with an artic blast moving in she is barking constantly its 7pm been out since 5am thank you for your time in this matter this dog has suffered long enough. Sincerely Denise RobideU

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038196-1

INV/NEGLI

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT ST

Activity Comment: REPORT OF POSSIBLE NEGLECT//DOG TIED OUT 24 HRS PER DAY

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

P031065 DENISE ROBIDEAU
333 DICKINSON ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01108
[REDACTED]

A037309

Result Codes:

1 NOTIC
1 EDUC
1 RPRT

Officer:

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 09/30/16 09:52 AM

New Date: 09/30/16 09:52 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date:

Complete Date:

Memo:

Responded to a complaint about a pitbull that was tied out 24 hours a day, sometimes no food for 3-4 days and barks alot. I knocked on the back side door and nobody answered. In the back yard, I found a young tan and white female pittie chained to a tree within a semi enclosed kennel type structure. The structure was about 12 feet by 6 feet. The chain length was about 6 feet. It was a normal weighted chain clipped to a nylon collar. The gate on the fenced structure was open and unable to be closed. The dog came running towards me and stopped when I told her to. I fed her treats to gain her trust which she ate ravenously. She was also shivering and clearly stressed. I noted her food bowls were all empty and her water bucket was less than half full and the water was dirty. Her dog house was small and the floor was damaged and unsafe for her to walk on. There was not bedding within the dog house. I don't even think she could fit comfortably in the house due to her size. Her weight is about 55 pounds. There was scattered debris in the the kennel....trash of some sort. A neighbor to the right of the house opened the window and asked what I was doing. I informed her who I was and I asked if the dog was always outside. She responded yes. I asked if she was fed daily and she stated, "I throw her food over the fence all the time". I asked what floor the owner lived on and she said the second floor. I left a notice taped to the side rear door and I took photos of her surroundings. Her body condition was normal.

At 2PM I spoke with owner Chandler Daniels. He called to discuss the notice I left. He told me he walks "Chloe" daily and he feeds her daily and says her food is in the garage. I asked about her dog house and he stated that she chewed the floor of it. I advised that she was most likely bored and perhaps providing toys would help her. He stated that she prefers to be outside. I asked if she ever stays out overnight and he said yes. I went over the ordinances about tethered dogs and barking and proper shelter. I asked if he needed help with getting her a proper shelter. I talked to him about Kane's Krusade and I stated I could provide the information for him. He said "I work for the city, I don't need any help." I advised him to correct the issues we spoke about and he said he would build her a kenneled area so she could be free outside. He also said he would provide proper shelter for her. I advised him I would be following up..Sanborn P030355
He was cooperative. I will follow up to ensure she has proper housing and is not tethered for more than the accepted time.....Officer Sanborn P033035

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038272-1

INV/FOLLOW UP

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: CONTINUES TO BARK AND OUT FOR EXTENDED AMOUNTS OF TIME

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

A037309

Result Codes:

1 CITE

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 10/05/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 10/05/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 10/05/16 12:46 PM

Complete Date: 10/05/16 12:55 PM

Memo:

Returned to residence to see if corrections were made or even started. First visit was 9/30. I discussed with Mr. Daniels the corrections that had to occur. He has had 5 days to address her barking, her lack of adequate housing (dog house is unable to be entered because floor is damaged), she is tethered to a chain less than 10 feet in length, her tether is at ground level, and she is unable to adequately exercise. The height of her penned in area is 3-4 feet. If she were not tethered she would be able to leave that enclosure. Yesterday, she was barking incessantly, she appeared stressed and was pacing back and forth on her chain. The temperature outside was 70 degrees at the time of my visit.

Her dog house remains inaccessible due to the floor torn up. Boards are sticking up and pose a threat of injury to Chloe. There was food in her bowl but I was unable to see any water from where I was standing. She has no place to lie down except on a debris pile which is trash in nature. He has barricaded the access to the back yard. This is new from my first visit. There is a snow plow, his city trash barrels and a plastic picnic table. I sat in my vehicle for 10 minutes and during that time Chloe barked non stop. She could not see me from where her penned in area is located. Additional photos were taken to show that no corrections have been started or completed.

A ticket was sent to Mr. Daniels for failure to license, barking dog and failure to provide proper animal care (1st offense). Total ticket was \$150.

I will follow up in 1 week and cite for a second offense if corrections are not made or attempted....P030355 Sanborn.

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038368-1

YARD CHK

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: YARD CHECK TO SEE IF CORRECTIONS MADE

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

A037309

Result Codes:

1 FAIL

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 10/12/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 10/12/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 10/12/16 12:14 PM

Complete Date: 10/12/16 12:24 PM

Memo:

Yard check to see if any attempts to correct living conditions. Nothing has changed. Temperature outside today is 62 degrees. Dog house not fixed and remain un-inhabitable. Still tethered and unable to exercise. Continues to demonstrate anxiety with constant pacing in her kenneled area....P030355 Sanborn.

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038407-1

INV/FOLLOW UP

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: CALL FROM CONCERNED NEIGHBOR

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

P031065 DENISE ROBIDEAU
333 DICKINSON ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01108
[REDACTED]

A037309

Result Codes:

1 COMP

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 10/14/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 10/14/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date:

Complete Date: 10/14/16 12:00 AM

Memo:

Spoke with Denise Robideau. She was calling to report that Chloe has been out continuously and has been barking incessantly. During our call I could hear Chloe barking. Denise was crying saying she couldn't take it anymore. She alleges she confronted Mrs. Daniels about the inhumane treatment of Chloe and was told to mind her F@#%# business. She reported that it has been very cold and the dog is outside shivering and whining. She will be providing a written statement to me in the next 24 hours.....Sanborn P030355

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038510-1

INV/FOLLOW UP

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: YARD CHECK TO SEE IF CORRECTIONS MADE

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

P030355 JULIE SANBORN
627 COTTAGE ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01104
[REDACTED]

A037309

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 10/21/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 10/21/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 10/21/16 12:06 PM

Complete Date: 10/21/16 12:10 PM

Result Codes:

1 FAIL

Memo:

Yard check today to see if corrections were made. Chloe continues to be tethered with a 4-5' chain to a fence inside a kenneled area. The chain tether is at ground level. The chain does not have a swivel end on it, which poses a danger for strangulation. She is pacing anxiously and barking. Her bowls have been raised up off the ground which is an improvement from my last visit. Her dog house has been turned so that it is no longer visible from the back yard. Cannot confirm if her dog house has been repaired to allow her access to escape the weather outside. Mr. Daniels was warned about extended tethering which prohibits Chloe from proper exercise and increases her anxiety level, causing excessive barking. I will continue to monitor her situation.....P030355 Sanborn.

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038612-1

YARD CHK

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: YARD CHECK; SEE NOTE

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

P020568 THOMAS J'OCONNOR ANIMAL CONTROL
627 COTTAGE ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01104
(413) 781-1484

A037309

Result Codes:

1 COMP

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 10/27/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 10/27/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 10/27/16 07:48 PM

Complete Date: 10/27/16 07:55 PM

Memo:

9:00PM-Yard check. This is an on going investigation. I was able to view her dog house from the driveway beside their property. He has not repaired the floor in her dog house so she is unable to enter safely. The boards are broken and sticking up. There is no bedding or hay for her to lie on. Her environment is a dirt enclosure within a small fenced area and her chain was lying on the ground, an indication she continues to be tethered for extended amounts of time.

On this visit Chloe was not in her penned area but her chain was lying on the ground. It was a combination of freezing rain and snowing. Hopefully she was inside the home. I will continue to monitor her situation so that she is treated according to the standards of humane animal care as dictated by the City Ordinance.....Sanborn/P030355.

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038819-1

YARD CHK

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: CONTINUED YARD CHECK FOR VIOLATIONS OF ANIMAL CARE ORDINANCES

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
SPRINGFIELD MA 01108
[REDACTED]

A037309

Result Codes:

1 FAIL
1 CITE

Officer: Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 11/12/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 11/12/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date:

Complete Date:

Memo:

1pm-Yard check to see if Chloe was tethered outside. She was tethered upon my visit. She was pacing, anxious and barking. I tossed her some treats which she readily ate. Food bowls were present but I could not see if food or water were in them. Her dog house remains devoid of bedding and in disrepair. It was 39 degrees outside and sunny. Her environment continues to be a hard dirt packed ground with no hay or bedding to lie on. She is very anxious. Mr. Daniels has made no obvious attempt to correct the violations for which he has received one \$50.00 fine for on October 6, 2016. He also received a fine for barking dog and a fine for failing to license her. His total citation was \$150.00. He turned her house resulting in less visibility to see inside but I have been able to view it from the neighbor's driveway to monitor repairs, if any. With the new ordinances in effect, she cannot be tethered for more than 5 hours out of 24 hours. Will visit later this evening to see if she is tethered out.....P030355/Sanborn

He has yet to obtain a license for her and another ticket will be issued.

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-038820-1

YARD CHK

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: RETURN VISIT TO SEE IF STILL TETHERED

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
SPRINGFIELD MA 01108
[REDACTED]

A037309

Result Codes:

1 FAIL
1 CITE

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 11/12/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 11/12/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date:

Complete Date: 11/12/16 08:10 PM

Memo:

7pm//

Returned visit to this yard to see if Chloe was still tied up outside and she was was. She was there at 1pm as well. This violates the City ordinance and a ticket will be issued for failure to provide proper animal care....P030355/Sanborn

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-039144-1

YARD CHK

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: YARD CHECK TO SEE IF CORRECTIONS MADE

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

A037309

Result Codes:

1 RPRT
1 COMP

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 12/07/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 12/07/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 12/07/16 03:27 PM

Complete Date: 12/07/16 03:32 PM

Memo:

Stopped by property to conduct a yard check to see if corrections were made to Chloe's living situation. Her penned in area was empty. Her food bowls were there, the house was there, but the chain was removed from the fence and was not present. I made contact with an individual who was coming down the driveway. I asked if he was Mr. Daniels and he said "Yes, but I am not Chandler, the owner here." I introduced myself and asked if the dog still lived here. He said he recently came in to town, and there has not been a pitbull here nor has Chandler mentioned having one. He said a small "yappy" dog lived on the property. He had no knowledge of Chloe. I am unsure if Chloe has been rehomed.....P030355//Sanborn

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-039243-1

INV/BARK

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: COMPLAINT DOG OUT BARKING, CALLED OWNER BUT THEY SAID DOGS BEEN INSIDE

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

P031065 DENISE ROBIDEAU
333 DICKINSON ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01108
[REDACTED]

A037309

Result Codes:

1 WARN

Officer: P026961 RIVERA

Clerk: MR

Call Date: 12/13/16 06:58 PM

New Date: 12/13/16 06:58 PM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date:

Complete Date: 12/13/16 08:10 PM

Memo:

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

Activity Card

A16-039276-1

YARD CHK

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 28 BEAUMONT TER

Activity Comment: YARD CHECK

Owner Information:

P031066 CHANDLER DANIELS
28 BEAUMONT TER
[REDACTED]

Caller Information:

A037309

Result Codes:

1 UNFND

Officer: P030355 SANBORN

Clerk: 111659

Call Date: 12/16/16 12:00 AM

New Date: 12/16/16 12:00 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 12/16/16 05:17 PM

Complete Date: 12/16/16 05:20 PM

Memo:

Placed a call to Denise R. I inquired as to whether Chloe was outside right now and she looked out the window and said "no". She reported she was outside earlier today but the owner took her in.

In addition, she reported they brought her in around 5PM last night. She had been outside all day. I advised her I was on until 10PM tonight and she will call me if she sees her tethered outside for an extended amount of time or if she is barking for more than 10 minutes at one time....Sanborn//P030355

Visit to yard revealed no evidence that dog still lives there. No pawprints in the snow, tie out frozen to the ground, and food bowls no longer present in her enclosure.....P030355//Sanborn

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 28 Beaumont Ter (Reports)

185 Corona Street history

2/13/17-Gregory Jones reported a dog named "Diesel" from 185 Corona Street has been loose multiple times in the past and charged at him; he requested an investigation and expressed interest in pursuing a nuisance dog hearing. An animal control officer visited the property that day; the dog was indoors on arrival, no owner present. The officer left a notice for the owner to contact TJO.

2/17/17-Animal Control received no reply from the resident(s) at 185 Corona Street; Officer Simpson issued a citation for 2 unlicensed/unvaccinated dogs to the home owner Crystal Cartwright. Cartwright has 2 dogs listed in Tracker; neither is current on rabies vaccine or licensed, Tracker lists one dog as "moved."

3/9/17-Jones reported Diesel loose again and obtained video of the incident. Police were called to his address regarding threats from Jeff, the owner of Diesel.

3/20/17-Animal Control received a letter from Mr. Jones regarding the incident on 3/9/17. Officer Chapman spoke with Jones via phone and confirmed his desire to pursue a nuisance dog hearing.

A17-040034-1

INV/MUNIC

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 185 CORONA ST

Activity Comment: BLUE/WHITE PITBULL THAT IS LOOSE FREQUENTLY-SEE NOTE

Caller Information:

P032273 GREGORY JONES
 173 CORONA ST
 SPRINGFIELD MA 01104
 (413) 888-0168

Result Codes:

1 NOTIC

1 COMP

Officer: P027726 SIMPSON

Clerk: DTS

Call Date: 02/13/17 09:56 AM

New Date: 02/13/17 09:56 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 02/13/17 10:07 AM

Complete Date: 02/13/17 10:12 AM

Memo:

2/13/17-Caller Gregory Jones is requesting an investigation and possibly a nuisance dog hearing on a dog named "Diesel" owned by someone named Jeff who visits 185 Corona Street. Jones reports that in the past the dog has been loose twice and charged him. I went to 185 Corona Street to determine who owns the blue and white male pitbull. The dog in question was inside the home when I arrived; there was no answer when I knocked, I left a notice. Supposedly the owner Jeff lives in West Springfield and brings the dog over to girlfriends house when visiting. The dog needs to be licensed and on leash. We have no prior history regarding this issue. -DTS

2/14/17-No reply from Corona Street notice yet. I asked Officer Sanborn to please call Mr. Jones and let him know that at this time we have little evidence to support a hearing as we have never been contacted regarding the dog he is aggrieved by. He is requested to contact us as well as try and obtain photos of the dog(s) when they are loose so that we may build a case for a potential hearing down the road. -HLC

2/15/17, 10:10 AM- Spoke with Mr Jones; advised him that we received the letter requesting a nuisance dog hearing and at this point we have little evidence to support that being successful in his favor. Asked that he call when he sees Diesel or the other small dog in the house outside unleashed. Officer Simpson left a notice on 2/13/17 to which the owner of Diesel has not responded back to. I will go there and make another attempt to make contact with Jeff (Diesel's owner). Mr. Jones will call if other incidents occur.-Sanborn/P030355.

2/17/17-I sent a ticket for 2 unlicensed and 2 unvaccinated dogs to Crystal Cartwright who is listed as the home owner at 185 Corona Street.-DTS

3/9/17-Diesel was loose again and Mr. Jones got video of this and this ended up with Springfield Police at his home over threats from Jeff. Jeff also told him he was going to report Mr. Jones's dog for barking as retaliation.-DTS

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Hanna Chapman

Thomas J. O' Connor

627 Cottage Street

Springfield, Ma 01105

March 16th 2017

Dear Ms/Mrs Chapman,

My name is Rev. Gregory Jones I reside at 173 Corona St Springfield, Ma 01104. On March 9th at approximately 5:30 pm. My dog Samson was our yard behind our fence and tie up. When (Diesel) from 185 Corona St got loose and charged our fence. As requested from the first conversation with one of your animal control officers (Female) I videotaped the encounter. I also called and spoke with a gentlemen there (One of your officers) who took a report on March 9th at approximately 6:30pm.

Within that hour span of time the boyfriend (Jeff) who is the owner of the dog felt compelled to come over to our house and threaten to do property damage to our house because he felt as if I was being unreasonable to request that his dog be managed and properly contained. He has also threatened to call animal control on me if my dog (Samson) starts barking as a retaliatory action (Tit-for-Tat) against me for asking the same (Him taking personal responsibility for his dog Diesel).

Moreover, at the point in time, I called the authorities and filed compliant against him for threatening to do property damage. I will be seeking to get this report and keep it on file with all that has transpired. I have not heard back from your agency since the complaint (My call to your office) on March 9th. I am hoping to hear from you soon to get this matter resolved in the most amicable way.

Sincerely,

Rev Gregory Jones

173 Corona St

Springfield, Ma 01104

413-888-0168

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Chapman, Hannah

From: Kristyk Higgins <kristyhiggins222@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 9:07 AM
To: Chapman, Hannah
Subject: Re: Hi my name is Kristy higgins I'm writing a nucance letter about 2 dogs that live at 151 packard ave Springfield mass these dogs constantly get loose and are very vicious they have chased my kids growling and barking also the other neighbors have seen

There is a dog at 151 packard st Springfield these dogs constantly get out of the house and away from the people that walk them they are very vicious and the neighbors dread these dogs it has attacked my kids before thank god they got away one time they chased my daughter on her bike and popped her tires on feb 25 it got out ran in the street towards my daughter and bite her the owner actually told my daughter if she sees the dog out to run in the house quick she shouldn't have to be scared to be outside

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 2, 2017, at 8:25 AM, Chapman, Hannah <HChapman@springfieldcityhall.com> wrote:
 >
 > Good morning Kristy,
 >
 > Could you please resend your nuisance request with the information about the dogs in the body of the email?
 Currently all of the information appears to be in the subject line and is cut off.

>
 > Thank you,
 >
 > Hannah Chapman
 > Animal Control Supervisor
 >
 > Thomas J. O'Connor Animal Control & Adoption Center
 > 627 Cottage Street
 > Springfield, MA 01104
 > 413-781-1484 Main
 > 413-781-5331 Fax
 > www.tjoconnoradoptioncenter.com
 > www.facebook.com/413ANIMALS
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> -----Original Message-----

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 > Sent: Wednesday, March 01, 2017 8:28 AM
 > To: Chapman, Hannah
 > Subject: Hi my name is Kristy higgins I'm writing a nucance letter about 2 dogs that live at 151 packard ave Springfield mass these dogs constantly get loose and are very vicious they have chased my kids growling and barking also the other neighbors have seen ...

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151 Packard Avenue History

"Lady" & "Ice" owned by Alethea Stevenson

1/18/12- Complaint of 2 loose dogs; owner cited by Animal Control.

2/16/12-"Ice" loose; owner warned by Animal Control.

4/30/12-"Ice" loose.

5/3/12-"Ice" loose; owner cited by Animal Control.

5/8/12-"Ice" loose.

3/7/15-Well-being check/barking dog complaint on 2 dogs.

12/29/15-Barking dog complaint; Notice left by Animal Control.

2/15/17-"Lady" got loose from leash and bit a 9 year old girl; AMR reported no bite or bruise but Animal Control Officer noted a scratch on victims leg; Home Quarantine issued as a precaution (B17-001652).

Per DogTracker, "Lady" is current on rabies vaccination until 2018; "Ice" is overdue on rabies vaccination; neither dog is licensed.

Activity Card

2.3

A12-019584-1

STRAY/ROAM

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: LOOSE WHITE G-SHEP

Caller Information:

Result Codes:

1 UTC

1 CITE

Officer: P999905 VELEZ

Clerk: TRIGA

Call Date: 01/18/12 11:11 AM

New Date: 01/18/12 11:11 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 01/18/12 11:30 AM

Complete Date: 01/18/12 12:25 PM

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Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A12-019585-1

STRAY/ROAM

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: LOOSE WHITE G-SHEP

Caller Information:

Result Codes:

1 UTC

1 CITE

Officer: P999905 VELEZ

Clerk: TRIGA

Call Date: 01/18/12 11:11 AM

New Date: 01/18/12 11:11 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 01/18/12 11:30 AM

Complete Date: 01/18/12 12:25 PM

Memo:

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A12-019830-1

STRAY/ROAM

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: ICE LOOSE AGAIN, CALLED OWNER AND TOLD HER IF IT KEEPS HAPPENING DDH

Owner Information:

P015818 JAMES STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

P011689 VANESSA KRUPA
627 COTTAGE ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01104
(413) 297-2475

A019440

Result Codes:

1 COMP
1 RTO

Officer: P011689 KRUPA

Clerk: LAC

Call Date: 02/16/12 09:30 AM

New Date: 02/16/12 09:30 AM

Dispatch Date: 02/16/12 09:30 AM

Working Date: 02/16/12 09:31 AM

Complete Date: 02/16/12 09:33 AM

Memo:

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A12-020627-1

STRAY/ROAM

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: LOOSE SHEPHERD

Owner Information:

P015818 JAMES STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

A019440

Result Codes:

1 MC

1 RTO

Officer: P999905 VELEZ

Clerk: HLC

Call Date: 04/30/12 08:10 AM

New Date: 04/30/12 08:10 AM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 04/30/12 08:20 AM

Complete Date: 04/30/12 10:30 AM

memo:

Recv'd a call for a loose shepherd on Hudson st. The shepherd turned out to be "Ice" from 151 Packard Ave. Spfld. after numerous attempts to capture or at least place back in yard, "ice" continued to escape including jumping the fence once in his yard. Several calls were placed to the owner, so that she can get her dog. Finally, about 1.5hrs later Althea showed up and still "Ice" ran from us in a playful manner. About 25mins later "Ice" finally went inside the house. Althea stated to Ofc. Velez that she will talk to the rest of the family later about surrendering, due to not being able to care for "Ice" the way he needs. Ofc. Velez told her to call Animal Control office if and when she is ready to do that. We could give her further info from there.

EV 4/30/12

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A12-020672-1

STRAY/ROAM

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: ICE LOOSE AGAIN

Owner Information:

P015818 JAMES STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

P999902 LORI CHARETTE
627 COTTAGE ST 1
SPRINGFIELD MA 01104
(413) 781-1484

A019440

Result Codes:

1 UTC
1 CITE

Officer: P999902 CHARETTE

Clerk: HLC

Call Date: 05/03/12 09:46 AM

New Date: 05/03/12 09:46 AM

Dispatch Date: 05/03/12 09:46 AM

Working Date: 05/03/12 10:00 AM

Complete Date: 05/03/12 11:15 AM

Memo:

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A12-020756-1

STRAY/ROAM

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD ST

Activity Comment: ICE LOOSE AGAIN SEE NOTES

Owner Information:

P015818 JAMES STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

P011689 VANESSA KRUPA
627 COTTAGE ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01104
(413) 297-2475

A019440

Result Codes:

1 UTC

Officer: P011689 KRUPA

Clerk: HLC

Call Date: 05/08/12 02:01 PM

New Date: 05/08/12 02:01 PM

Dispatch Date: 05/08/12 02:01 PM

Working Date: 05/08/12 02:32 PM

Complete Date: 05/08/12 03:09 PM

memo:

Ice is constantly loose. A neighbor stated that she witnessed the oldest son open the door and shove Ice out. Other neighbors have seen Ice out since Saturday, May 5th. Today it is raining and Ice has no cover. I assume he has no water and food. The gate to 151 Packard st was left open, probably in hopes that Ice would go back in. Alethea had told me that when he goes out he will not come back to them. The fence has a large hole where the gate is and you can tell that he gets out through there because they try to stuff the hole with debris.

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A15-030743-1

INV/NEGLI

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 2

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: NEIGHBOR COMPLAINT 2 DOGS OUT ALL DAY W/O F,W,S BARKING, SEE NOTES

Owner Information:

P025767 ALETHEA STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

Result Codes:

1 MC
1 WARN

Officer: P025229 TERKELSEN

Clerk: 107573

Call Date: 03/07/15 04:28 PM

New Date: 03/07/15 04:28 PM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 03/07/15 06:11 PM

Complete Date: 03/07/15 06:21 PM

memo:

3.7.15

Neighbor called about 2 dogs that are left outside all the time, barking, with no food, water, or shelter that he can see. I told him to call us or the police when the dogs are barking excessively.

On arrival, could hear two dogs barking in garage. Alethea answered the door. She said the dogs have access to the garage with food and water when they are outside. She told us they are outside for a few hours a day- possibly up to 4 hours.

explained to Alethea that if the dogs are barking for more than 10 minutes in a row, she can receive tickets. I also told her that the dogs do need a solid shelter and access to water when they are outside.

The dogs are UTD with their rabies vaccinations (they expire in the fall). I explained to her that licensing season is coming up and that she needs to get the dogs licensed every year.

We also explained to her that we have free spay vouchers for her female dog. The male, she said, is already neutered (got neutered at Dakin), but she is apprehensive to spay the female because of her experience with the healing process of the neuter.

UT & SRH

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A15-030744-1

ASSIST/ACO

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 2

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: NEIGHBOR COMPLAINT 2 DOGS OUT ALL DAY W/O F,W,S BARKING, SEE NOTES

Owner Information:

P025767 ALETHEA STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

Result Codes:

1 COMP

Officer: P108833 HOWE

Clerk: 107573

Call Date: 03/07/15 04:28 PM

New Date: 03/07/15 04:28 PM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 03/07/15 06:11 PM

Complete Date: 03/07/15 06:21 PM

Memo:

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Activity Card

2.3

A15-033913-1

INV/FOLLOW UP

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: LEFT NOTICE, PEOPLE HEARD IN HOME, NO ANSWER AT DOOR. NO DOGS HEARD @ ARRIV,

Owner Information:

P025767 ALETHEA STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

P027768 ANGELA MISISCHIA
627 COTTAGE ST
SPRINGFIELD MA 01104
(413) 781-1484

Result Codes:

1 NOTIC

Officer: P027768 MISISCHIA

Clerk: ANG

Call Date: 12/29/15 04:38 PM

New Date: 12/29/15 04:38 PM

Dispatch Date: 12/29/15 04:38 PM

Working Date: 12/29/15 04:45 PM

Complete Date: 12/29/15 04:52 PM

Memo:

Communication: Nuisance Hearing for Animal at 151 Packard Street (Reports)

Activity Card

2.3

A17-040184-1

INV/BITE

Priority Level: 3

Total Animals: 1

Animal Type: DOG

Activity Address: 151 PACKARD AVE

Activity Comment: DOG BITE, AMR SAID THERE WAS NO BRUSE NO MARKS OR BITE ON VICTIM. WHEN I SAW \

Owner Information:

P025767 ALETHEA STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
(413) 204-0593

Caller Information:

A038471

Officer: P026961 RIVERA

Clerk: MR

Call Date: 02/25/17 12:26 PM

New Date: 02/25/17 12:26 PM

Dispatch Date:

Working Date: 02/25/17 12:40 PM

Complete Date: 02/25/17 01:03 PM

Result Codes:

1 HQUAR

Memo:

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City of Springfield
Office of the City Clerk
2016 Dog License

Date: //

Invoice #: 0

ALETHEA STEVENSON
151 PACKARD AVE
SPRINGFIELD, MA 01118

Tag #: Dog Name: **LADY**
 Gender: **FEMALE** Breed: **GERMAN SHEPHERD**
 Age: **3.0** Color: **WHITE**
 Phone: **204-0593** Rabies Exp: **10/15/2018**

This License expires on //

License Fee	0.00
Late Fee	0.00
	0.00
Total	0.00

In accordance with provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 140 and the City of Springfield Code, 2012, as amended, Chapter 110 a license is hereby issued to the person named above to keep the dog herein described for one (1) year from the first day of April of each year. Each dog is numbered and registered as required by said laws, for which the required payment has been paid

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PENALTIES - ANIMAL WASTE Violation - Non-Criminal

1st Offense in calendar year	\$50
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Massachusetts Department of Public Health
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 617-624-6000

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151 PACKARD AVE
SPRINGFIELD, MA 01118

Tag #: Dog Name: **ICE**
 Gender: **NEUTERED** Breed: **GERMAN SHEP**
 Age: **7.0** Color: **WHITE**
 Phone: **204-0593** Rabies Exp: **09/11/2015**

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