



Animal Control

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City Clerk

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

3:30 PM

Ante Room

Call to Order

3:30 PM Meeting called to order on May 16, 2018 at Ante Room, City Hall, Springfield, MA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
City Clerk		Present	

Hearing

The following members of the Animal Control Committee present: Kim George, Melvin Edwards and Anthony Wilson.

1. Dangerousness Hearing for Two Dogs at 175 Glen Oak Drive

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The owner of the dog was not present. The owner of the dog was not present.

This matter was continued to the next meeting on the animal control committee by the following vote.

Anthony Wilson	Y	
Kim George	Y	
Melvin Edward		N

2. Hearing on a Dog Named "Zoey"

Summary of events with "Zoey"

On 4/9/18 Jorge L. DeJesus brought a dog named "Zoey" to TJO for quarantine and potential surrender after the dog bit a minor in the face. DeJesus was the co-owner of the dog and was unsure if he wanted to formally surrender "Zoey" but did leave the dog at TJO for the quarantine period. After the quarantine period the dog was claimed by the co-owner, DeJesus's girlfriend, Jaida Guzman. "Zoey" was returned to her custody with a current rabies vaccine and license on 4/20/18. On 4/23/18, upon learning of the release of "Zoey," the mother of the minor victim requested a Dangerous Dog Hearing. Please see the attached request and bite report for details. Please note that the bite victim is a minor and as such that individual's information has been redacted.

COMMENTS - Current Meeting:

The owner of Zoey was not present.

Immaculate Gonzalez explained that the dog bit her three year old daughter in the face. She stated that the doctors told her that her daughter could have died.

Animal Control stated that they have had no contact with owner and they believe that the dog may have been euthanized in New Hampshire.

The board voted unanimously to euthanize the dog.