

MINUTES
SCITUATE ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD
February 17, 2022
4:00 PM via Zoom

Attendance:

Animal Control Board: Jim Boudreau, Kevin Cafferty, Carol Sullivan-Hanley, Susan Grondine
Craig Keefe, Animal Control Officer was not in attendance
Cynthia Amara, Town Counsel
Michele Seghezzi, Recorder

Mr. Boudreau called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM. Mr. Cafferty made a motion to approve the agenda, Second by Ms. Grondine.

Roll call vote:

Mr. Boudreau
Mr. Cafferty
Ms. Grondine
Ms. Sullivan-Hanley
Unanimous

The Board started with a review of the Order of Conditions from the 12/6/21 Hearing. Mr. Boudreau noted that the order stated that training must be done within 60 days. The 60 days expires today. We recently received a letter from the trainer that said they need longer to finish the training but the dog is making progress. The Board needs to determine next steps.

Mr. Boudreau feels that we should ask the trainer to submit a report quarterly to provide an update on the dog's training progress. Attorney Cohen spoke with the trainer who said that Ranger is progressing and it takes time. The owner has to do homework and she sees that he is doing the homework based on the progress with the dog. Attorney Cohen suggested that the trainer provide a monthly progress report to the Board.

Ms. Grondine agrees that it's a great idea and would like a monthly vs. quarterly report from trainer.

Mr. Cafferty agrees. Mr. Bowker agrees and stated that Ranger is doing a great job.

Town Counsel said we will amend condition #7 of the order to state that a monthly report will be provided to the Board until Ranger completes the course.

The Board unanimously voted in favor.

Attorney Cohen wanted to address the \$300 violation fee and was confused as to what it was. The Board confirmed that this was the original fine. Mr. Bowker received the fine on January 26th and

is appealing the fine. Attorney Cohen confirmed that the fine was part of the order of conditions and suggests that Mr. Bowker should pay the fine. The Board agrees with this and said it was very clear in the order of conditions which was agreed upon at the prior hearing. Mr. Bowker said he would withdraw his appeal and notify the court.

Mr. Cafferty made a motion to approved the minutes of 12/6/21, second by Ms. Sullivan -Hanley

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Boudreau
Mr. Cafferty
Ms. Grondine
Ms. Sullivan-Hanley
Unanimous

The Board will initiate the change in the order of conditions and mail out shortly.

Motion to adjourn at 4:13 PM, Motion by Mr. Cafferty, Second by Ms. Grondine

Roll Call Vote

Mr. Boudreau
Mr. Cafferty
Ms. Grondine
Ms. Sullivan-Hanley
Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Seghezzi, Recorder