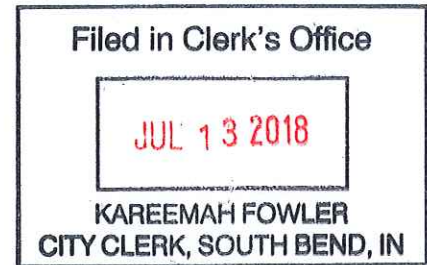


South Bend Animal Care and Control Commission
Special Meeting

June 7, 2018
1850 Hours

County City Building
13th Floor
227 West Jefferson Blvd
South Bend, IN 46601



Animal Control Commission Members Present: Becky Kaiser, Pam Wesolowski, Lynne Losecco, Dr. Betsy Culp, and Barb Leavell

City Staff Present: Jen Gobel-SBACC Shelter Manager, Tom Panowicz-Attorney for SBACC, Randy Wilkerson-Director of Code Enforcement, and Dani Campbell Weiss-Commission Attorney

1. The special meeting was called to order by Becky Kaiser at 1850 hours.
2. Hearing Officer Ann Carol Nash offered remarks regarding the structure of the proceedings that would be occurring.
3. Hearing for Case 18-02 began at 1853 hours. South Bend Animal Care and Control appeared by attorney Tom Paniwicz. Respondents Jennica Riffle and Cresencio Alvarez appeared in person. Both sides presented evidence and the hearing concluded at 2010 hours. The Commission decided it would take the matter under advisement and would issue a decision as to the status of the dog in question at a special meeting the following week.
4. At 2010 hours a brief recess took place.
5. The meeting resumed at 2020 and the hearing for Case 18-01 began at the same time. South Bend Animal Care and Control appeared by its attorney Tom Panowicz. Respondents Marvin Tobar and Theresa failed to appear. South Bend Animal Care and Control presented evidence and the hearing concluded at 2045.
6. Pursuant to South Bend Municipal Code Section 5-38(a)(6), the Animal Control Commission determined that since the owners failed to appear, that they were in default, and all ownership rights of the animals were assumed waived and proceeded to vote on the outcome of this matter. As to the dog Nero, by a 5-0 vote, the Commission voted that the dog should be labeled "vicious" and because release of this dog would create a significant threat to the public health, safety, and welfare, the Commission further determined that the dog should be euthanized in accordance with South Bend Municipal Code Section 5-38(a)(7)(b). For the other dog, Harley, the Commission reached the same decision by a 4-1 vote.
7. The Commission discussed when the vote would take place as to the disposition of the Riffle/Alvarez (Case 2018-02) decision and decided on June 12, 2018 at 1900 hours. The Commission additionally discussed changing the next regular meeting date from July 5, 2018 to a different date due to the holiday. July 12, 2018 at 1800 hours was selected as the new date.

Motion to adjourn made by Barb
Leavell Seconded by Dr. Betsy Culp

Meeting ended at 2104 hours