South Bend Animal Care and Control Commission Special Meeting Minutes

July 23, 2018 1700 Hours

County City Building 13th Floor 227 West Jefferson Blvd South Bend, IN 46601 Filed in Clerk's Office

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Animal Control Commission Members Present:

Becky Kaiser, Pam Wesolowski, Lynne Losecco and Barb

Leavell

City Staff Present:

Tom Panowicz-Attorney for SBACC and Tracy Skibbins-

Code Enforcement, and Dani Campbell Weiss-Commission

Attorney

Absent:

Dr. Betsy Culp, Randy Wilkerson-Director of Code

Enforcement, Stasia Orlowski-Assistant Director SBACC,

and Jen Gobel-Director SBACC

- 1. The special meeting was called to order by Becky Kaiser at 1700 hours.
- 2. The Commission began its discussion for the issuance of a decision to Case 2018-3 from its July 12, 2018 hearing. The issue before the Commission was whether Martinez/Aguirre would be classified as habitual offenders.
 - A. After a brief discussion of the ordinance regarding habitual offenders the Commission took a vote.
- 3. Three Commission Members voted for habitual offender and voting for Martinez/Aguirre to not be able to own animals indefinitely.
 - A. The vote was carried that Martinez/Aguirre would be deemed habitual offenders under the current ordinance.
 - B. The Respondents were advised of their rights to file an appeal within ten (10) days of the date of this decision in accordance with South Bend Municipal Code Section 5-38(a)7(d).
- 4. Immediately following deliberations of Case 2018-03, the board began deliberation of Case 2018-04 regarding the animal named, Duty, owned by Freshour. The issue before the Commission was whether the dog, Duty, would be classified as a potentially dangerous dog or vicious under the current ordinance and whether the Respondent would be classified as a habitual offender.
 - A. After a brief discussion of the ordinance and classification between potentially dangerous and vicious the Commission took a vote.
- 5. Three Commission Members voted for habitual offender with all Commission Members in agreement

that the dog not be classified as potentially dangerous or vicious.

- A. The vote was carried that the dog, Duty, would not be deemed potentially dangerous or vicious.
- B. The Respondent will classified as a habitual offender under the current ordinance, with the Commission in agreement that the Respondent not be able to own animals for a period of ten (10) years.
- C. The Respondent were advised of their right to file an appeal within ten (10) days of the date of this decision in accordance with South Bend Municipal Code Section 5-38(a)7(d).

Motion to adjourn made by Barb Leavell Seconded by Lynne Losecco

Meeting ended at 1735 hours.