

Selectmen's Meeting
Wednesday, August 9, 2017
Sunderland Town Office Building

Attending: D. Pierce, S. Bergeron, T. Fydenkevez, S. Patch
Others: E. Demetropolous, D. Potyrala, G. Corbo, Kopelman & Paige, H. Riordan, A. Leveston
Behind the Camera: FCAT

Meeting called to order at 6:55 PM.

Dangerous Dog Hearing

Mr. Pierce advised that the board will not be holding a dangerous dog hearing tonight so they will not be hearing any testimony from the parties involved. Mr. Pierce advised that the board would instead convene a meeting to discuss deliberations that have taken place between the dog owner, Town Counsel and the Chair. Attorney Gregg Corbo advised that Ms. Riordan has offered to voluntarily surrender the dog to the Animal Control Officer to dispose of at his discretion. Mr. Corbo recommended that the board take a brief recess in order to allow him time to draft the agreement between Ms. Riordan and the Town. Attorney Corbo advised that as long as all terms outlined in the agreement are met there will not be any reason to move forward with the hearing on August 21st. Motion: Mr. Fydenkevez to recess for 15 minutes. Second: Mr. Bergeron. Voted: 3-0. Motion: Mr. Bergeron to reconvene the meeting. Second: Mr. Fydenkevez. Voted 3-0. Attorney Corbo reviewed terms of the agreement. Mr. Pierce read agreement. Motion: Mr. Fydenkevez to accept the agreement as drafted. Second: Mr. Bergeron. Voted: 3-0. Motion: Mr. Fydenkevez to adjourn. Second: Mr. Pierce. Meeting adjourned at 7:12 PM.

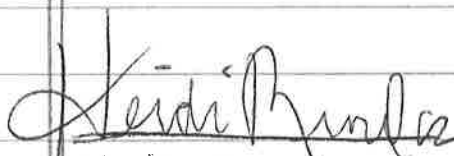
Note: Copy of Agreement incorporated in these minutes.

Respectfully Submitted,


Sherry Patch, Town Administrator

Agreement for Surrender of Dog

1. I Heidi Riordan hereby agree to Surrender my dog Ziva to the Franklin County Sheriff's office Regional Dog Shelter by 12:30 pm on Friday, August 11, 2017.
2. I agree that I am voluntarily Surrendering the dog and I am waiving my right to a public hearing and any appeals.
3. In exchange for my voluntary compliance, the Board agrees that it will not enter any finding that the dog is dangerous.
4. If the dog is not Surrendered as set forth in this Agreement, the Board will conduct a public hearing as scheduled on August 21, 2017. If there is compliance the hearing will be cancelled.


Heidi Riordan

Sunderland Board of Selectmen



