

**SPECIAL  
BOARD OF PUBLIC SAFETY MINUTES  
March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

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**PUBLIC HEARING**

4:00pm  
Council Chambers  
City of Anderson, IN  
120 E Eighth Street

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mike McKinley, Chairman  
David Clendenen, Member

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Tim Lanane, Assistant City Attorney  
Barbara Joy, Board Secretary

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. McKinley called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

**BUSINESS**

Tim Lanane: We have not had a vicious animal complaint for a while so I will go over that. The owner is here. His name is Ruben Santos. I provided him a copy of what I provided to the board. A vicious animal is any animal with a known propensity tendency, or disposition to attack unprovoked, to cause injury, to, or otherwise threaten the safety of the human beings or domestic animals. Any animal which because of its vicious propensity is capable of inflicting serious physical harm or death to humans and which would constitute a danger to human life as required by this chapter. Any animal which, without provocation, attacks, bites or has attacked or bitten a human being or a domestic animal; or any animal certified by a doctor of veterinary medicine, after observation thereof, as posing a danger to human life or property if not kept in the manner required by this chapter upon the basis of a reasonable medical probability. Mr. Santos agreed to have this hearing today. If the animal is found to be vicious the owner shall not suffer or permit the animal to go unconfined. A vicious animal is unconfined if the animal is not securely confined indoors or confined in a securely enclosed and locked pen or structure upon the premises of the owner of the animal. The pen or structure must have secure sides and a secure top attached to the sides. If the pen or structure has no bottom secured to the sides the sides must be embedded into the ground not less than one foot. All such pens or structures must be adequately lighted and kept clean and sanitary condition. All such pens or structures must conform to any applicable provisions of the city building code or Indiana building code. Every owner of an animal declared vicious under #91.83 hereafter must have such animal spayed or neutered prior to release from the city animal care and control.

Numerous neighbors, the dog owner, Kris Ockomon(Animal control), Maleah Stringer (executive director of animal protection league), the victim and other misc people spoke of the dog attack.

Video was shown of the attack and photos of the victims (human and animal).

Mr. McKinley: I make a motion that these are vicious animals and will be held at the Animal Protection League until 4-9-23 which is the date the Dog owner has to have the property ready at 16 W 17<sup>th</sup> St, Anderson, IN with the pen structure to hold the animals in. Kris Ockomon will verify the pen structure is complete.

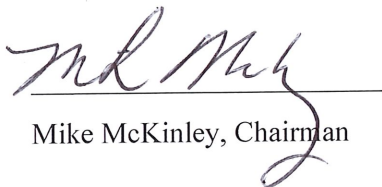
Mr. Clendenen: Second

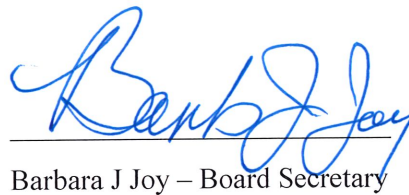
Barbara Joy: on the call of the roll the vote was 2-0. Motion passed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. McKinley: If we have no other business then this meeting is adjourned.

Adjournment 4:34PM

  
Mike McKinley, Chairman

  
Barbara J Joy – Board Secretary