



**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF GEORGINA**

Appeals Committee (Aggressive/Dangerous Dogs) Minutes

Date: Monday, January 29, 2024
Time: 7:00 PM

Members of Committee Present: Dan Fellini
Dave Neeson
Lee Dale

Staff Present: Lisa Hnatiw
Mike Hutchinson

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Town of Georgina recognizes and acknowledges that we are on lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of the Mayor and Council, we would like to thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship.

We also recognize the unique relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory. They are the water protectors and environmental stewards of these lands and we join them in these responsibilities.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

Moved By: Councillor Fellini

Seconded By: Councillor Neeson

Councillor Dale be appointed as Chair for tonight's meeting

Carried

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

4. EXPLANATION OF MEETING PROCEDURE

Councillor Dale provided an explanation of the meeting procedures and proper speaker etiquette.

5. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)

One Addendum Item

- Additional correspondence received from Linda Sutherland regarding appeal 23-1703.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved By: Councillor Neeson

Seconded By: Councillor Fellini

The January 29, 2024 agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

7. REQUESTS FOR DEFERRAL OR WITHDRAWAL

Request for deferral for appeal 23-3877 for 272 Kenwood Avenue regarding the dog "River" due to appellant not being able to attend due to personal reasons.

Motion to defer.

Moved by: Councillor Fellini

Seconded by: Councillor Neeson

Appeal 23-3877 be deferred to a later date.

Carried

8. AGGRESSIVE/DANGEROUS DOG APPEALS

1. Aggressive/Dangerous Dog Appeal 23-1703

Owner - Renee Blake, located at 115 Dunkirk Avenue, Sutton.

Requesting appeal for Dangerous Dog Order issued for "Qincy"

Renee Blake spoke on Qincy's past and how Renee got Qincy. Renee states what the relationship is like between Quincy and Linda Sutherland's dog Gracie. Renee expressed details regarding the incident that happened on May 5th, 2023. Renee spoke on some of the statements in the agenda.

Linda Sutherland from 101 Dunkirk Avenue. Linda expresses details of the incident that happened on May 5th, 2023.

Councillor Neeson asked Renee to clarify certain details regarding what happened the evening of the incident.

Renee states when they were leaving the dock that Gracie was barking at Qincy, which caused Qincy to react and rip out of Renee's hands and the dog fight started. Renee states that Linda was bleeding after the incident as Linda put her hands in between the fight.

Councillor Fellini states a few comments regarding Qincy's triggers.

Councillor Dale asks Renee if there has been trouble hanging on to Qincy in the past and how Renee plans to hold onto Qincy in the future.

Renee Blake states the different techniques she has tried regarding the control of Qincy.

Councillor Dale asks Renee to summarize how the aggression between the two dogs started.

Councillor Dale asks Linda to describe her injury in result of the incident. As well as Linda's side of what happened that evening of the incident.

Linda stated that she had puncture wounds on her hands. Linda had to get x-rays done of her hands and was put on antibiotics. Gracie had a wound on her ear and was taken to the vet to get a Rabies shot. Linda states that Gracie was not barking when the attack took place and that Qincy came to them and had to go around Linda to get to Gracie.

Nina Patterson from 41 Courting House Place. Nina previously lived on Dunkrik Avenue. Nina described the history of the two dogs, Qincy and Gracie.

Councillor Dale asks Nina how many dogs frequent this dock.

Nina stated that only a few dogs go down to the dock. The dogs are always restrained when down at the dock.

Renee Blake asked Nina Patterson to describe the relationship between Qincy and Nina's dog Hank.

Linda Sutherland spoke on Gracie's behaviour.

Decision:

Moved by: Councillor Neeson

Seconded by: Councillor Fellini

Carried

The order for the Aggressive/Dangerous dog appeal #23-1703 is upheld in its entirety.

2. Aggressive/Dangerous Dog Appeal 23-3877

Owner - Andrew Knight & Irene (Irka) Dorosh, located at 272 Kenwood Avenue, Keswick.

Requesting appeal for Dangerous Dog Order issued for "River".

Deferred to another time.

3. Additional Correspondence Received from Linda Sutherland Appeal 23-1703

9. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting held on August 15, 2023

Moved By: Councillor Fellini

Seconded By: Councillor Neeson

That the minutes of the meeting held on August 15, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Carried

10. OTHER BUSINESS

None

11. NEXT MEETING

TBD

12. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved By: Councillor Neeson

Seconded By: Councillor Fellini

The meeting adjourn at 7:56 p.m.

Carried.