## TOWN OF WILMINGTON VICIOUS DOG/DOMESTIC PET BITE HEARING DECISION WITH PROTECTIVE ORDER

In re: Derek/Pearl

Owner/keeper of dog/domestic pet: Robbie Lordi

Complainant/victim: Andrew Wolfson

### INTRODUCTION AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

- 1. This proceeding involves a vicious dog/domestic pet bite complaint pursuant to 20 V.S.A. § 3546 and initiated by Mr. Andrew Wolfson. The Selectboard received the complaint on 7/15/2025.
- 2. On 7/18/25, public notice of this vicious dog/domestic pet bite hearing was posted in or near the town clerk's office, River Valley Market and OSEC, given to each member of the Board, Deerfield Valley News, and made available to any person upon request.
- 3. On7/18/25, notice of this vicious dog/domestic pet hearing was hand-delivered to Mr. Robbie Lordi, owner/keeper of Derek/Pearl.
- 4. On 7/18/25 notice of this vicious dog hearing was emailed to complainant/victim Mr. Andrew Wolfson.
- 5. Present at the hearing were the following members of the *Board:*

Tom Fitzgerald

Vince Rice

**Tony Tribuno** 

John Lebron

- 6. During the hearing the following evidence (i.e., oral testimony, written documents, pictures, reports, etc.) were submitted to the Board:
  - Exhibit A-3 photographs of injury submitted by complainant
  - Exhibit B- Hospital Visit Summary

- Exhibit C- Complaint Form
- Exhibit D- Wilmington Police Report 25WM001391
- Exhibit E- Updated statement of Andrew Wolfson
- Exhibit F- 2 photographs of Pearl's mouth
- Exhibit G- Rabies vaccination for Pearl
- Exhibit H- Rabies vaccination for Derek

### RELEVANT EVIDENCE

Exhibit A through H as shown above as well as verbal testimony by the victim, Andrew Wolfsonand canine owner, Robbie Lordi. Further discussion included the fact neither animal was licensed with one, identified as Pearl, not having a current vaccination on record as it had expired in March of 2025. The second canine, Derek, was sufficiently vaccinated. Other than the beforementioned parties Officer Cadorette of the Wilmington Police Department testified as she was the officer called to the scene. The Zoning Administrator, Jessica Robert's also confirmed that she had been contacted concerning the matter and she completed the incident sheet

### FINDINGS OF FACT

On Sunday, July 13, 2025, Mr Andrew Wolfson was walking along Cornell Way in Wilmington, VT. Mr Wolfson owns a home at 23 Cornell Way. When reaching 1 Cornell Way Mr Wolfson was confronted by two large unrestrained dogs who without provocation, attacked him causing substantial injury to his right forearm. The owner of the dogs tried to disengage the animals from the victim but it was a difficult undertaking. Owner claims he, too, was bitten by the dog identified as Derek. DV Rescue as well as the Wilmington Police Dept were notified. Treatment was rendered at the scene with follow up in the emergency room of Brattleboro Memorial Hospital. Some 20 sutures were required to close up his injuries and additional treatment for several puncture wounds.

The events of this incident are not in dispute with the exception of Pearl's involvement concerning the resulting injuries. Owner claims she was not engaged like Derek and was attempting to pull the other dog off of the victim.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Under Vermont State Law, 20VSA 3546(c) "If the domestic pet or wolf-hybrid is found to have bitten the victim without provocation, the municipal officials shall make such order for the protection and personas as the facts and circumstances of the case may require...", therefore the Selectboard must first determine whether or not the animal bite was provoked before issuing an order on this matter. After hearing testimony from several parties and admission

from the owner who intervened to pull the dog(s) off of the victim it is determined that the dogs indeed "vicious".

Wilmington 's animal control ordinance of 2010 clearly outlines the requirements, restrictions. And prohibitions. All dogs must be licensed, have an updated rabies vaccine with proof thereof, and are restricted from running at large. Owners can be held liable for damages or injuries caused by their dogs. Additionally, it is unlawful for a dog to attack or bite a person or another animal.

### **DECISION**

The bite is deemed without provocation and a protective order is necessary.

Pearl is to be chained and confined when outside of the domicile. Pearl must also be licensed and property vaccinated without delay and proof presented confirming same to the Town of Wilmington. The victim has had to subject himself to rabies shots as a precaution due to the lack of valid inoculation data on Pearl.

Derek is another matter. In that it was declared that he suffers from dementia and was difficult for even the owner to control during this attack he is to be euthanized within the next 10 days and proof of same filed with the Town of Wilmington. This was discussed with the owner and he did not object. He did object to euthanizing Pearl. However, if there is a reluctance to not vaccinate Pearl euthanization will be our only viable option.

Based on the foregoing findings of fact and conclusions of law, the Selectboard finds that the bite was *without* provocation and, therefore, a protective order is *necessary*.

Failure to comply fully with the conditions set forth in this order shall subject the dog/domestic pet's owner/keeper to the penalties provided for in Title 20 Section 3546.

This decision/order was approved by the Selectboard on 7/21/25.

Chair or Vice Chair & Signature

Thomas Fitzgerald

NOTICE: This decision may be appealed to the Vermont Superior Court Civil Division within 30 days of the date of this decision, pursuant to Rule 75(c) of the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure.







### BRATTLEBORO MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Patient:

WOLFSON, ANDREW A

MRN:

Location:

BVT ED; DECON; 1

Acct#:

Admit:

7/13/2025

Discharge:

7/13/2025

### Clinical Documents

Family history:

No family history items have been selected or recorded...

Social history:

Social & Psychosocial History Social History Tobecoo

Never tobacco user Tobacco Use:.

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Electronic Cigarette Use: Never.

Psychosocial History

No active psychosocial history has been recorded

Problem list:

No qualifying data available

#### **Physical Examination**

Vital Signs

Vital Signs

7/13/2025 12:52 EDT

Heart Rate Monitored

Respiratory Rate Systolic Blood Pressure

Diastolic Blood Pressure Mean Arterial Pressure, Cuff

SpO2

90 bpm 20 br/min

149 mmHg HI 87 mmHg HI 108 mmHg

98 %

Measurements

7/13/2025 12:52 EDT

Height/Length Estimated Weight Estimated

Body Mass Index Estimated

171.5 cm

69 kg

23.46 kg/m2

Basic Oxygen Information

7/13/2025 12:52 EDT

SpO2

Oxygen Therapy

98 % Room air

General: non-toxic, no respiratory distress, comfortable

HEENT: normocephalic, atraumatic, lids and lashes are normal, PERRL, EOMI, anicteric sclera, no conjunctival injection, moist oral mucosa Musculoskeletal: Multiple dog bites to right forearm, dorsum of forearm has 3 gaping quarter centimeter lacerations distally, 1 cm laceration in center of forearm and a 2 cm jagged laceration with fat exposed to proximal forearm; anterior forearm has 3 half centimeter laceration distally, half centimeter laceration medially to forearm, and 1 cm laceration to proximal anterior forearm with fat exposed, multiple small bite marks too numerous to count to anterior and posterior forearm, 2+ radial pulses

Neurologic: appropriate for age Psych: alert and oriented

Skin: As above, otherwise warm and dry, no petechiae, no lesions

Medical Decision Making

66-year-old male presents for evaluation after dog bite. Patient has multiple dog bites to right anterior and dorsum of forearm. Wounds were all washed with Betadine and irrigated thoroughly. All gaping wounds were sutured. Adipose tissue was removed. Patient started on Augmentin. He will monitor closely for signs of infection. He understands indications to return.

### Procedure

Procedure: Laceration repair

LEGEND: \*=Critical, @=Abnormal, H=High, L=Low, ^=Corrected, N=Result Comment, #=Interp Data, R=Performing Location

Report Request ID: 780043751

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Print Date: 7/16/2025 10:20 EDT

# MODEL VICIOUS DOG/DOMESTIC PET COMPLAINT FORM

Town of Wilmington

July 14, 2025

ATTN: Selectboard

PO Box 217

Wilmington, VT 05363

PHONE: 802-464-8591 x123

EMAIL: jarchambault@wilmingtonvt.us

State law (20 V.S.A. § 3546) requires the legislative body of a municipality to hold a vicious dog/domestic pet hearing when a person has been bitten by a domestic pet or wolf-hybrid when the animal is off the premises of its owner or keeper, the person bitten requires medical attention for the attack, and such person files a written complaint with the legislative body of the municipality. The information provided on this form will be used to determine whether a hearing is warranted.

COMPLAINANT/VICTIM NAME(S) AND FACTUAL DESCRIPTION OF THE ATTACK

Date and Time Occurred: Sunday, July 13, 2025, late morning

Victim Name: Andrew Wolfson Victim Address: 23 Cornell Way Victim Phone: 802-464-2092

Victim Email: 23cornellway@gmail.com

Place of Attack (Street Address/Location Description): On Cornell Way, adjacent to 29

**Cornell Way** 

[If needed: Victim #2 Name:

Victim Address: Victim Phone: Victim Email:] If so, what kind of medical attention?

Deerfield Valley Rescue, then Brattleboro Memorial Hospital (20 stitches, over 30 puncture wounds, and possible nerve and muscle damage)

Please provide any additional facts that may assist the legislative body in its investigation below (e.g. name and address of owner/keeper of alleged vicious dog/domestic pet; description of suspected dog/domestic pet; circumstances leading to attack; description of bite wound, etc.):

I was casually taking a walk up Cornell Way, two dogs which I had never seen before ran out of the woods from near 29 Cornell Way straight at me, one of the dogs immediately viciously attacked me without provocation, it locked its teeth into my right forearm and would not let go and it violently shook my arm and me, and the force of the attack knocked me to the ground and the dog was right on top of me and I was completely defenseless. (Only when the person who lives at 29 Cornell Way who is responsible for the dogs, Robbie Lordi, arrived did the attacking dog release its grip, and I quickly got up and backed down Cornell Way and returned home.)

Each of the dogs seemed to weigh about 100 pounds, the dog which attacked me seemed to be tannish in color, the other dog seemed to have some black and white colorations, and both dogs seemed to have some pit bull breed physical characteristics (even if they might be mixed breed dogs). Both dogs also seemed to have behavioral characteristics of breeds which are inclined or known to attack; and when the dog attacked me it latched on to my arm and rigidly held on, which such breeds tend to do, instead of biting and releasing.

Neither of the dogs had a collar, leash, or dog tag; the dogs are not licensed with town; it is not clear what the tetanus/vaccination status is regarding the dogs; it is not clear who actually owns the dogs; and obviously the dogs were not restrained or under the person's control.

Mr. Lordi has been less than forthcoming with me regarding information or next steps (and it is my understanding he has been less than forthcoming with the police department and the town as well). For instance, he provided me (and the police department) with false or misleading information regarding the identities of the dogs (including breed, age, etc.); with false or misleading information regarding tetanus/vaccination status (where time is of the essence) and regarding ownership; and he is misidentifying which dog actually attacked.

I was very frightened when the attack occurred, I am fearful at present regarding walking around even on my own property (29 Cornell Way is next door to me), and I am concerned for all of my neighbors (many people, including children, live on Cornell Way and adjoining Ruth Way).

information below:		
Na	me of person filing on behalf of the victim:	
Ado	dress:	
Pho	one:	
Em	nail:	
Rel	lationship to victim:	
Rea	ason why complaint is being filed by someone other than the victim:	

If this complaint is being filed by someone other than the person bitten, please complete the

If you need more space, please attach sheets to this form. Submit this document, and any supporting documentation, to the address at the top of this form.

### WILMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

**CASE #:** 25WM001391

**OFFICER:** Officer Kaylie Cadorette

**INCIDENT:** Dog Bite

DATE/TIME COMPLAINT RECEIVED: 07/13/2025, 1149 hours

DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT: 3/18/2025 1830 hrs

**COMPLAINANT:** Andrew Wolfson DOB 12/27/1958

23 Cornell Way, Wilmington, VT

(802)464-2092

**VICTIM:** Same as complainant

**DOG OWNER:** 

Robbie Lordi DOB 06/01/1979 29 Cornell Way, Wilmington, VT

512-993-8655

DOG: 16 year old Australian Cattle Dog Shelburne Falls Veterinary Hospital

Rabies vaccine up to date

Quarantine Period ten (10) days starting 07/13/2025 and ending

07/23/2025

**DESCRIPTION OF SCENE:** Cornell Way in Wilmington

**PROPERTY STOLEN:** N/A

**MODUS OPERANDI:** N/A

TANGIBLE EVIDENCE: None

**NARRATIVE:** 

On July 13, 2025 I responded to the area of Cornell Way for the report of an unprovoked dog bite.

### WILMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATIVE REPORT

**CASE #:** 25WM001391

On July 13, 2025 at approximately 1149 hours, I responded to 23 Cornell Way for the report that Andrew Wolfson DOB 12/27/1958 called 911 requesting to know the closest place he could be seen for a dog bite. VSP Dispatch contacted Deerfield Valley Rescue and they also responded to provide medical care to Andrew. While enroute, Andrew met rescue and I at the intersection of VT Route 9 and Cornell Way. Andrew was scene by EMTs, and opted to drive himself to Brattleboro Memorial Hospital for further treatment, stating he did not intend for any resources to be dispatched to him.

While on scene I observed puncture marks on Andrew's right forearm. Andrew had his arm wrapped in a clothing item, and at the time I observed it, it was no longer bleeding. Andrew told me he had been walking

on Cornell Way, and as he was walking by the neighbor's driveway (29 Cornell Way), an unsecured dog ran into the roadway and bit his arm, unprovoked. He told me the owner, identified as Robbie Lordi DOB 06/01/1979 was able to retrieve both of his dogs, as his other had run to the scene after the first, and offered to bring Andrew to the hospital. Andrew agreed, however Robbie's truck would not start, so Andrew began to drive himself.

After speaking with Andrew, I went to 29 Cornell Way, where I spoke with Robbie. Robbie was holding a cloth on his right hand, and told me that when he was retrieving his dogs, one of them accidentally bit him. Robbie sustained minor injuries in the form of puncture wounds on his thumb which no longer were bleeding, and declined medical care. While speaking with Robbie, he was crying and visibly distraught, apologizing several times and expressing concern for Andrew's wellbeing.

Robbie told me the dog which bit Andrew was a 16-year-old Australian Cattle Dog belonging to his exgirlfriend. He told me the dog was beginning to suffer from dementia, was not familiar or comfortable with Robbie's property, and that he slipped his lead. Robbie told me the dog was up to date on vaccinations, and that there was presently an appointment scheduled to euthanize the dog two weeks after this incident due to the progressing dementia. Robbie gave me his contact information, which he told me to pass along to Andrew, and told me he would provide the health officer and I with the veterinarian records as soon as he was able to get them. Robbie told me he had called the office, Shelburne Falls Veterinary Hospital, requesting the records prior to my arrival.

I returned to the intersection of VT Route 9 and Cornell Way where I located Andrew, and gave him Robbie's contact information and the other details Robbie had provided me. Andrew then left in his vehicle to go to Brattleboro Memorial Hospital to receive treatment.

On July 16, 2025, I spoke with Robbie via telephone. Robbie told me he had received the dog's records, but that they had his ex-girlfriend's name on them, so he blacked out the name and provided them to Andrew. Robbie told me he asked the vet to change the name to his, and send them over again, which they did. Robbie emailed me a copy of the records for the dog, Derek. Robbie told me he was still awaiting calls from vet offices for records for his other dog, Pearl, as he is unsure which one provided the most recent vaccines. Robbie told me he would email me the records when he received them.

After speaking with Robbie, I spoke with Andrew via telephone. Andrew told me he felt it was very suspicious that the breed on the certificate said "mixed" after Andrew had identified the dog as an Australian Cattle Dog, and he thought it was strange that the name had been blacked out. I explained to Andrew that the name on the records was Robbie's ex-girlfriend's name, but that I had an updated copy of the records with Robbie's name on them, which I forwarded to Andrew via email. The records showed the dog was up to date on his rabies vaccination. Andrew expressed concern again over the breed type listing on the records, stating that he felt the records may have been for the other dog, and that the dog that bit him was rabid and not experiencing dementia, as he felt the two may look similar. I told Andrew I would provide him with the records for the second dog as soon as I received them. Andrew told me the dog which had bit him was a large tan dog that appeared to have an element of pitbull within its breed. He told me the other dog was black and white, and also appeared to be a pitbull mix.

As of the end of day on July 16, 2025, I have yet to receive the vaccination records for the second dog.

### Revisions to Vicious Dog Complaint Form July 21, 2025

### Dear Wilmington Selectboard:

I hope that the following information assists the Selectboard.

1. I am extremely traumatized, I am very concerned regarding matters, and I hope that no one else suffers a similar horrifying experience.

I believe that residing in Wilmington and being a dog owner involves serious responsibilities, including respecting the town and protecting one's neighbors.

I love dogs, and I have owned and been around dogs my entire life. I have experienced my and friends' dogs being euthanized for many reasons, and other pet heartbreaks. I sympathize with dog owners, but dog owners are responsible for their actions and for their dogs; and it is necessary to protect people first and foremost.

(My family built 23 Cornell Way about 50 years ago, and I have peacefully walked along and enjoyed Cornell Way for about 60 years. I have considered Wilmington to be my home for many decades, I have resided here for years to the extent I have been able, and I am in the process of becoming a permanent resident.)

2. I might need to get vaccinated for rabies, which is a decision which needs to be made immediately. I have spoken with numerous physicians and medical experts (and with Vermont Department of Health and other epidemiologists). Getting rabies literally means that one will die. It is recommended that one get the rabies vaccine as soon as possible after possible exposure to rabies, and at least within seven days. Today, July 21, is the eighth day after being bitten, so the recommended timing has already been exceeded.

Getting the rabies vaccine is a serious decision for many reasons, including possible side effects. I am immunocompromised and have other medical conditions which might negatively affect me if I get vaccinated. I have been agonizing about all of these matters since the outset.

Mr. Lordi is not assisting and providing information which is necessary regarding my health and well-being, and to comply with applicable laws.

Mr. Lordi has still not provided rabies vaccination certificates for both of his dogs, to confirm that both of his dogs are currently vaccinated. Without this information, I cannot make fully-informed decisions how to proceed regarding my getting vaccinated; which again is a very serious and timely matter.

Mr. Lordi has still not provided this information, whether on an official basis or on a concerned neighbor basis; even though I, Wilmington's health officer, Wilmington's police department, and the owner of 29 Cornell Way have basically repeatedly requested this information from Mr. Lordi since the beginning.

Mr. Lordi has only provided information regarding his dog which did not physically attack and bite me. I am the person who was attacked and bitten, and I identified the offending dog in real time and concurrently. Even if others might be unclear which dog is the offending dog, both dogs assaulted me and both dogs are relevant regarding matters.

Information regarding both of the dogs is necessary regarding my health and well-being first and foremost, and regarding remedial actions involving the dogs and Mr. Lordi secondarily. I need solid rabies vaccination information regarding both dogs so that I can make immediate decisions how I will proceed, regardless of which dog might ultimately be determined to be the offending dog for any official purposes. (Please also see paragraph 5 below.)

3. It is my understanding that Mr. Lordi has been renting and living at 29 Cornell Way since about September 2024, and that he was required to get Wilmington dog licenses for both of his dogs at that time; or at the least 90 days after moving in.

A requirement of obtaining a dog license is providing written proof that the dog is currently vaccinated for rabies; because being inoculated is important for the health and well-being of the dog and for people who might be bitten by the dog, and so that documentation is readily available because time is of the essence when someone is bitten by the dog.

It is my understanding that Mr. Lordi has still not filed dog license applications for either of his dogs in violation of applicable laws; even though the dog attack occurred over one week ago, and even though Mr. Lordi has produced rabies documentation seemingly correlating with at least one of his dogs.

Additionally, if verifiable rabies vaccination information regarding his other dog is unobtainable or does not exist, then apparently Mr. Lordi is and has been boarding an unvaccinated dog in violation of applicable laws.

Additionally, because the missing information has not been obtained regarding this other dog, this dog should be immediately vaccinated to protect the dog and the public going forward; regardless of any supposed vaccination history or any prior biting.

4. I was casually taking a walk up Cornell Way, two dogs which I had never seen before ran out of the woods together from near 29 Cornell Way straight at me aggressively at high speed, and both of the dogs were aggressively gnashing their teeth and growling. Both of these dogs assaulted me; I feared immediate harm from both of these dogs.

One of the dogs immediately viciously physically attacked me without provocation, it locked its teeth into my right forearm and would not let go and it violently twisted and shook my arm and me throughout the entire incident, I felt its teeth slicing and twisting into my arm internally (I have a high tolerance for pain, and the pain I felt was absolutely horrendous), the force of the attack knocked me to the ground and the dog was right on top of me and I could not get back up, the dog's head was very close to my head and I feared that it might also physically attack my exposed neck and face, the other dog was right next to me and I feared that it might also physically attack --and I was completely helpless. (Only when Mr. Lordi arrived did the physically-attacking dog release its grip, and I quickly got up and backed down Cornell Way and returned home.)

I was absolutely terrified when the dogs assaulted me, when the dog physically attacked me, and throughout the entire incident. I was literally scared for my life, matters were horrifying, and I am still extremely traumatized.

Each of the dogs seemed to weigh about 100 pounds, the dog which physically attacked me seemed to be tannish in color, the other dog seemed to have some black and white colorations, and both dogs seemed to have some pit bull breed physical characteristics (even if

they might be mixed breed dogs). The dog which physically attacked me was the one having more pit bull physical characteristics than the other. Both dogs also seemed to have behavioral characteristics of breeds which are inclined or known to attack; and when the dog attacked me it latched on to my arm and rigidly held on, which such breeds tend to do, instead of biting and releasing.

5. It is extremely traumatic and triggering for me to relive the attack, to restate information which I have already provided and confirmed, and to discuss these matters at all.

I am the victim, I identified the dog which bit me in real-time, I confirmed this information to Mr. Lordi within minutes after the attack, and I re-confirmed this information with town officials the next day. Mr. Lordi was not present when the attack initially unfolded and proceeded, and he only arrived at the tail end. My timely informed information is more conclusive than Mr. Lordi's untimely less-informed recollections.

It is not clear why the offending dog which I have been describing since the beginning is not formally the primary focus of matters, and why this particular dog was not quarantined. This particular dog should be immediately quarantined on a formal basis (instead of perhaps only on an informal basis at best).

(Mr. Lordi only produced his purported rabies vaccination certificate for his dog which did not physically attack and bite me. Clear, verifiable, timely rabies information is important regarding human health matters, so it was important to exactly confirm to which of his dogs this information pertained, or whether the information pertained to either of his dogs at all. It was reasonable to query why the dog breed and dog age information on the certificate he initially provided was different than the information he provided to the responding police officer, and why without initial explanation he blacked-out the initial certificate's owner information.)

6. Neither of the dogs had a collar, leash, or dog tag; the dogs are not licensed with town; it is not clear what the rabies/vaccination status is regarding the dogs; it is not clear who actually owns both dogs; and obviously the dogs were not restrained or under Mr. Lordi's control factually, and pursuant to legalities.

Mr. Lordi stated separately to me and to the responding police officer that only one of his dogs slipped its lead. However, the fact is that both of his dogs were running at large, neither of his dogs was restrained and under his control, and neither of his dogs was collared.

Mr. Lordi stated to the responding police officer that one of his dogs bit him when he was retrieving them after the attack on me. This provides further confirmation that his dogs are so aggressive and dangerous that they even physically attack and bite their owner. This also confirms heightened concerns regarding his dogs further endangering me, my neighbors, and other people who might encounter his dogs.

Mr. Lordi stated separately to me and to the responding police office that one of his dogs has dementia. Very common symptoms of dog dementia are increases in aggressive behavior and biting. It was Mr. Lordi's responsibility to know these and other basic facts, and he had the heightened responsibility to make sure that his affected dog would not run at large and endanger people.

Mr. Lordi stated to the responding police officer that his affected dog was not familiar or comfortable with the property where Mr. Lordi lives. Very common symptoms of dog dementia are disorientation and discomfort. It was Mr. Lordi's responsibility to know these and other basic facts, and he had the heightened responsibility to make sure that his affected dog would not leave the confines of the property.

(Similar to dog dementia, symptoms of rabies can include aggressive behavior, biting, disorientation, and discomfort. Because it is important to investigate rabies matters, and because some rabies information regarding the dogs was (and is still) missing, it was reasonable to query whether the mentioned dog dementia is actually or involves rabies.)

Mr. Lordi has been less than forthcoming and helpful with me regarding information or next steps (and it is my understanding he has been less than forthcoming and helpful with the police department and the town as well; among other things, I was informed that when a town official reached out to him by phone, he kept hanging up on the official). For instance, he provided me (and the police department) with false or misleading information regarding the identities of the dogs (including breed, age, etc.); with false or misleading information regarding rabies/vaccination status (where time is of the essence) and regarding ownership; and he is misidentifying which dog actually physically attacked.

7. I was very frightened when the assault and attack occurred, I am fearful at present regarding walking around even on my own property (29 Cornell Way is next door to me), and I am concerned for all of my neighbors (many people, including children, live on Cornell Way and adjoining Ruth Way).

More specifically, I am extremely traumatized and concerned by everything which has occurred and is continuing to occur. I have been seriously physically and mentally injured, and I am in pain and I am suffering.

Based on what has occurred and is continuing to occur, I and the many neighbors I have discussed matters with are very reasonably very concerned that the dog owner will not comply and act responsibly, seriously, and respectfully going forward; and that substantial town actions regarding the dogs and the dog owner are fully warranted and necessary.

Following are some possible remedies, roughly in order of priority, for the Selectboard's consideration:

- a. Both of the dogs should be immediately euthanized and disposed of in a humane way. The dogs are clear and present dangers to people, neighbors, and the community. This is the safest and most warranted course of action.
- b. Written information should be immediately provided by Mr. Lordi confirming the exact date and facility regarding the appointment to euthanize one of his dogs which he stated to the responding police officer he has already made. A copy of formal written veterinary verification should be immediately provided after the procedure.
- c. Both of the dogs should be immediately medically examined for any evidence of rabies. This information is important to obtain for town, state, and personal decision-making, comforts, and records.

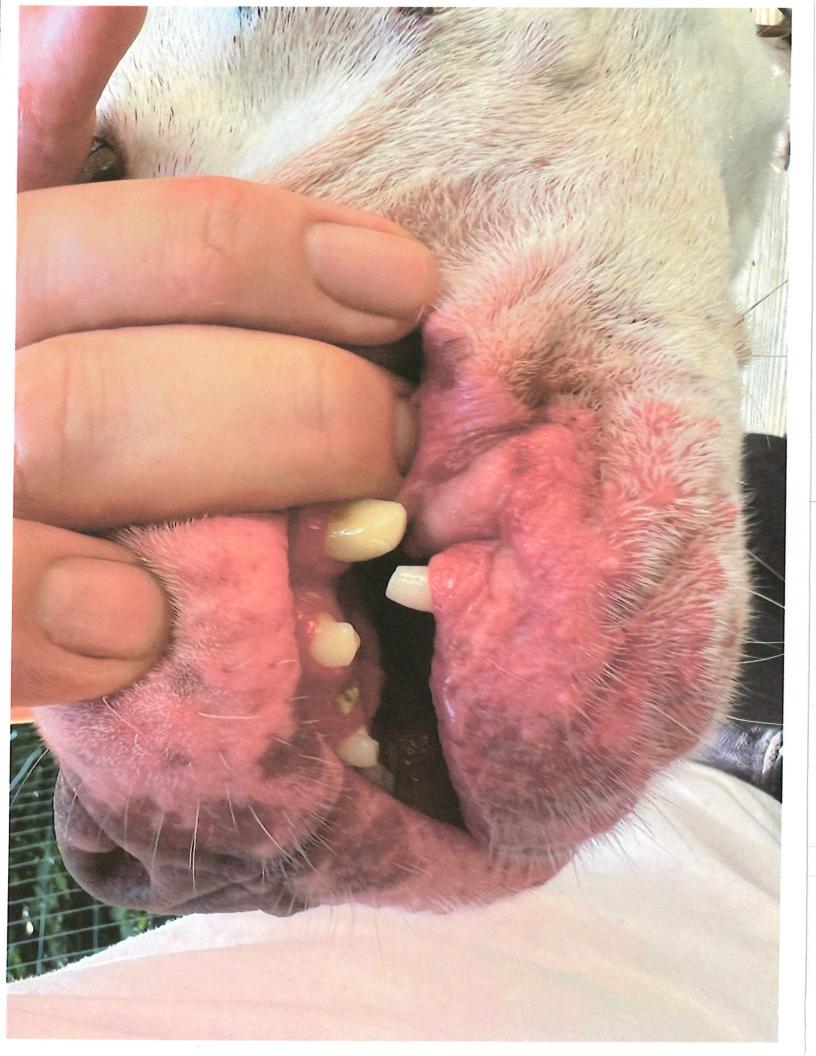
- d. Both of the dogs should be immediately formally impounded and quarantined offpremises by the town, per specific ordinances and otherwise. Among other things:
  - At least one of the dogs is vicious and has physically attacked and bitten.
  - At least one of the dogs does not have required proof of rabies immunization.
  - Both of the dogs are not licensed by the town.
  - Both of the dogs have run at large and have not been restrained and under the control of the dog owner.
  - Both of the dogs are aggressive and dangerous.
  - Both of the dogs assaulted me, one of the dogs physically attacked me, and at least one of the dogs physically attacked its owner.
  - There are reasonable concerns regarding the dog owners' compliance going forward.
- e. Both of the dogs should be immediately re-located so they remain fully outside the boundaries of the town at all times.
- f. Both of the dogs should be immediately verifiably muzzled, chained, and confined at all times (including within the home unless there are verifiably no means of escape from the home at all times), per specific statutes and otherwise.
- g. The dog regarding which no proof of rabies immunization has been provided should be immediately vaccinated. A copy of formal written veterinary certification should be immediately provided.
- h. Both dogs should be immediately licensed with the town clerk's office; and both dogs should immediately wear un-removable collars at all times, containing un-removable license and rabies information dog tags.
- i. The town should immediately levy financial penalties against the dog owner to the maximum extent possible at present, with further maximum financial penalties levied as need be going forward.
- j. I should be fully reimbursed for all of my medical, out-of-pocket, and other reasonable expenses related to all of the present matters.

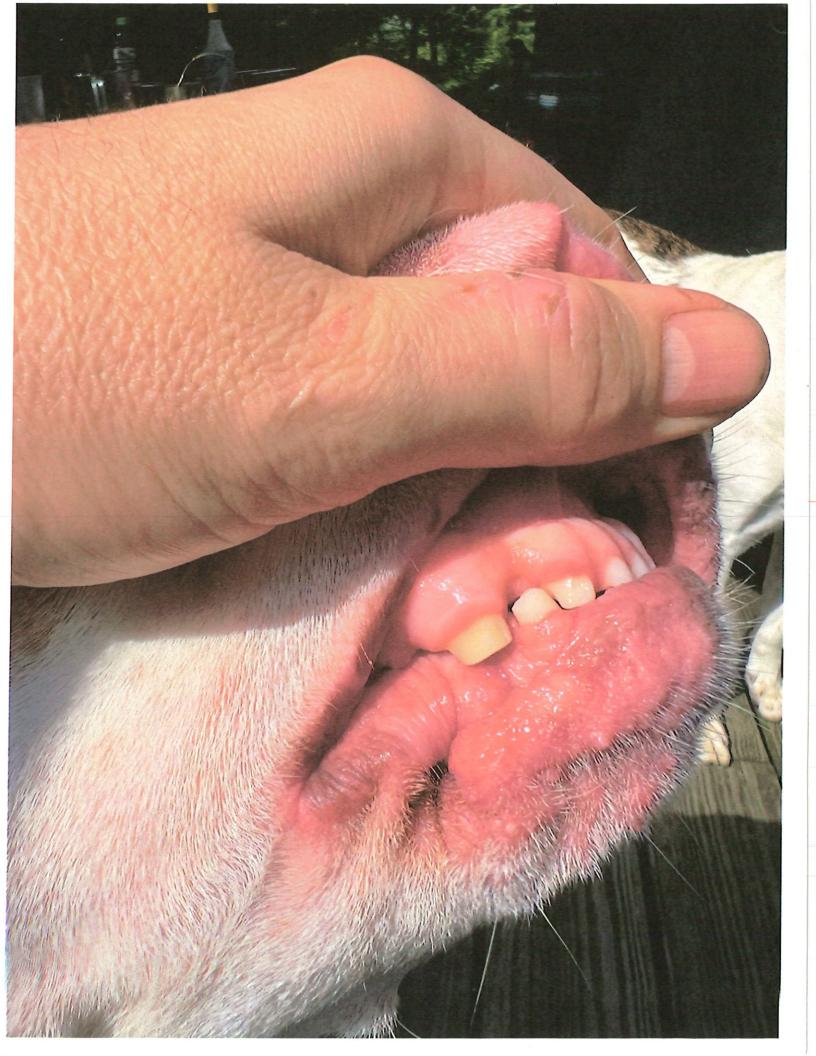
Thank you for your time and consideration. It is greatly appreciated.

I swear under penalty of perjury that all of the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Andrew Wolfson

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## Shelburne Falls Veterinary Hospital 3 Mohawk Trail

Shelburne Falls, MA 01370 (413) 625-9517

### **Vaccination Certificate**

7/14/2025

**Client Name:** 

**Phone Number:** 

Robbie Lordi

Address:

29 Cornell Way

(512) 993-8655

Wilmington, VT 05363

Patient:

Pearl Canine

Species: Breed:

Mixed

Sex:

Spayed Female

Color:

Tan, White

Weight

72.2 pounds

Date Given	Vaccine Description	Date Due
		/
3/2/2022	Rabies Vac. Canine 3 Year	3/2/2025 🏑
3/2/2022	Distemper/Parvo Vac. 1 Year	3/2/2025
3/2/2022	Corona Vac. 1 Year	3/2/2025
11/10/2021	Bordetella Vac. 1 Year	11/10/2022
4/18/2024	Lyme Vac. 1 Year	4/18/2025



### **Shelburne Falls Veterinary Hospital**

3 Mohawk Trail Shelburne Falls, MA 01370 (413) 625-9517

### **Vaccination Certificate**

7/14/2025

Client Name:

Robbie Lordi

Patient:

Derek

Address:

29 Cornell Way

Species:

Canine Mixed

Wilmington, VT 05363

Breed:

Neutered Male

Phone Number:

(512) 993-8655

Sex: Color:

White

Weight

93.6 pounds

Date Given	Vaccine Description	Date Due
12/20/2022	Rabies Vac. Canine 3 Year	12/20/2025
2/27/2024	Distemper/Parvo Vac. 1 Year	2/27/2025
2/27/2024	Corona Vac. 1 Year	2/27/2025
10/17/2021	Bordetella Vac. 1 Year	10/17/2022
2/27/2024	Lyme Vac. 1 Year	2/27/2025