

Members Present – Thomas Hooker, David Mills, Alicia Malay, Mark Winslow and Dan Adams. Others Present: Stephanie Quenneville, Tyler Quenneville, Ashley Wade, Tim Wade, Cassie Lonergan, Chad Lonergan, Rhys Williams, Glen Shultz, Tim Jurik, Town Manager Ann Reed, Recording Secretary Kelly Giard.

The Dog Hearing was called to order at 6:05 PM by Chair Malay.

The participants were administered the oath by Chair Malay.

Ms. Reed read a statement from Rich Bowman, Animal Officer, who expressed concern for younger children in the neighborhood and that he has had negative interactions with the dog, Copper. Mr. Bowman stated in his statement that he had to pepper spray the dog during 1 interaction and the dog was not phased. Mr. Bowman continued by stating that the owner told him to shoot the dog, which Mr. Bowman refused. Mr. Bowman made arrangements with the Humane Society to euthanize the dog, however, when he was going to transport the dog, it was noted that Copper did not like men, and Fran Martindale was not there to assist, therefore, there was no transport.

D. Adams inquired if the dog was registered and vaccinated, which Ms. Reed stated that the dogs were registered and vaccinated at the last registration period.

Ms. Reed read a statement from the dog owner, who stated that she was ill and at the medical professionals. Ms. Martindale, the owner of the dogs of concern stated in a message to Ms. Reed that the dogs have only gotten out 4 times; have not killed or harmed any other living thing and they keep her warm due to her living situation.

D. Adams inquired if there have been any reports of anyone being bitten. Ms. Reed stated that during the timeframe in question, there were no reports of a biting, however, the dogs appear to be food oriented and are left alone a lot of the time.

Rhys Williams, who resides at 2303 West Creek Road stated that the dogs have been on his property.

Glen Shultz stated that he was contacted by a neighbor on January 3, 2026 that the dogs acted aggressively while on his property. Mr. Shultz stated that he went out and he was forced to pull a weapon on the dogs to protect himself and the dog ran back and he then notified Mr. Williams and when the dog ran back, the dog ran toward Mr. Quenneville who shares a driveway with Mr. Shultz. Mr. Quenneville was outside with his dog and was forced to pick his dog up and take it inside. Mr. Quenneville stated that he resides at 2267 West Creek Road and has to be outside with his dog at all times. Mr. Quenneville stated that the dogs were out more than the 4 times that Ms. Martindale stated. Mrs. Quenneville stated that she is concerned for her dog and the neighborhood. Mrs. Quenneville stated that she is not able to pick her dog up if the dogs in question were to charge her dog. Tim Wade, who lives at 2192 West Creek Road, stated that he has a 2 year old child who is not able to play outside for fear of the dogs being loose. Mr. Wade stated that the dog recently chased his wife who was outside getting the mail and she was scared to the point of shaking from the fear. Mr. Wade stated that the dogs have been on his property more than 4 times since he moved to the neighborhood approximately 3 years ago. Mrs. Lonergan, who lives at 22998 West Creek Road stated that the dogs have been seen running loose and jumping an orange construction fence to get into her yard. Mrs. Lonergan stated that her dog can't be left outside on her run for fear of the loose dogs aggression and the dog has been close to being bitten. Mr. Lonergan had to fend off the dogs and he contacted the Police Department. Mr.

Lonergan stated that the dogs are out all day and at one point, the dogs were at the base of the steps of his porch and they are frustrated. Mrs. Lonergan stated that there are 2 dogs that are aggressive and there is an additional dog that is chained up on the property. Mr. Jurik, who is the manager of the property at 2192 West Creek Road stated that there have been posts on Ms. Martindale’s Facebook page stating that her dogs tend to get out of the window. Mr. Jurik stated that he has video from approximately 2 weeks ago of the dogs behavior and will forward to Ms. Reed. Ms. Wade stated that she has emailed with Rutland Animal Control regarding the January 3 situation. Ms. Wade stated that the January 3 situation was very nerve wracking with being barked at by the male dog, who was showing his teeth and the female was not quite as aggressive.

Chair Malay closed the public session at 6:25 PM.

Motion by M. Winslow and seconded by D. Mills to recess the Dog Hearing and will deliberate at the end of the Select Board meeting.

Motion by D. Mills and seconded by T. Hooker to issue a warrant to have both dogs (Copper and Panda) be humanely euthanized through the humane society with assistance from the Pittsford Police Department. Motion passed unanimously 5 – 0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Giard
Recording Secretary

Alicia Malay, Chair

David Mills, Vice Chair

Thomas Hooker, Selectman

Mark Winslow, Selectman

Dan Adams, Selectman