

TOWN OF LANCASTER  
Animal Control Commission

Minutes

Public Hearing RE: Fitzzy, Gucci, & Fendi  
Owner(s), Dominic & Deidra Zarrella  
89 Cleverly Cove Rd

Date: September 16, 2019

Present: Commission Members: Maribeth Eugene, Adrienne Gadoua, Philip J. Eugene, Robert Foney, Phyllis Tower ACO, Joyce Moody, Melissa Pelletier Assistant Town Clerk.

Called to Order at 6:35 p.m.

Notice of Hearing is read into the record (see attached)

Sworn in en mass by Melissa Pelletier, Assistant Town Clerk

Tara King, Complainant 220 Fire Road 11

- Complaint read into the record (see attached.)
- Dogs run wild
- Dogs constantly on the King's property
- Aggressive Barking
- Dogs have chased the Kings Family, including guests
- Daughter was bit by one of the Dogs. *Police Report with Lancaster Police Dept*  
See attached Email from Tara to Dominic Re incident.
- Bus Route for children had to be changed due to dogs (Phyllis came to bus stop to ensure safety)
- The dogs are on an electric fence batteries are not charged, dogs get loose.
- Phone calls and Emails regarding concerns have gone unanswered

Kathleen Skelly, 102, Fire Road 11

- Dog was attacked by the one of the Zarrella's dogs
- Complaints not taken seriously.
- Dogs are constantly loose running through the neighborhood
- Dogs are aggressive

Marcie Giannattasio, 112, Fire Road 11

- Has been attacked by the Zarrella dogs on two separate occasions. *Police Report with Lancaster Police Dept for both occurrences.*
- Complaints not taken seriously
- Cannot walk through the neighborhood out of fear of the dogs.
- Breed and Sell dogs from 89 Cleverly Cove- Cleverly Cove Doodles  
<https://cleverlycovedoodles.weebly.com>

Judge King

- Dogs aggressively charge at him and his car.
- Disabled and cannot visit his family out fear for the dogs being loose.

After lengthy discussion, the ACC moves to recommend the following:

CONFINEMENT

- Dogs will be confined to the premises of the keeper of the dog; that "confined" shall mean securely confined indoors or confined outdoors in a securely enclosed and locked pen attached to the house.
- When removed from the premises of the owner or the premises of the person keeping the dogs, the dogs shall be securely and humanely muzzled and restrained with a chain or other tethering device having a minimum tensile strength of 300 pounds and not exceeding 3 feet in length.
- Dogs will be supervised outdoors at all times
- Phyllis Tower, ACO will inspect 89 Cleverly Cove Road, Lancaster to ensure acceptable methods of restraint, confinement, and supervision are in place.

If there is failure to complete these within the thirty (30) day period, the Animal Control Commission will invoke the following statute: Violations of such orders shall be subject to the enforcement provisions of MGL c. 140, §§ 157 and 157A.

Motion, Seconded, Unanimous

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Pelletier Assistant Town Clerk