

**CITY OF STORM LAKE
SPECIAL COUNCIL SESSION MEETING
CITY HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JULY 7, 2025
4:30 PM**



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AGENDA

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Open the Meeting

- **Call to Order**

A. Consideration of Changes in Agenda and Setting the Agenda

B. New Business

1. Appeal Hearing for Order to Remove Vicious Dog

C. Adjourn

Meeting Protocol

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1. To speak on an agenda item, please approach the podium when that agenda item is called, and upon recognition by the Mayor, identify yourself by stating your name and address.
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3. Please keep your remarks to three (3) minutes or less.
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Staff Summary

7/7/2025

Agenda Item # B.1.



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REPORT TO:

FROM: Keri Navratil, City Manager

SUBJECT: Appeal Hearing for Order to Remove Vicious Dog

BACKGROUND: On June 20, 2025, it was reported that your dog, a Husky, bit a female in the face while being petted.

A Vicious Animal is defined as:

1. Has inflicted serious injury on a human being unless the animal was on its owner's premises and either:
 - a. The animal was being provoked, teased or tormented; or
 - b. The victim was trespassing and was more than seven (7) years of age; or
2. Has attacked, and killed or caused disabling injury to other domestic animal without provocation while off the owner's premises; or
3. Is owned or harbored primarily or in part for the purpose of fighting in contests or any animal trained for such fighting.

As used herein, serious injury includes any one bite which breaks the skin of the victim.

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

RECOMMENDATION: City Council may affirm or reverse the order

ATTACHMENTS:

1. PD Report

Report of Officer: Caleb Villhauer

Item#: 25-026470

Date: 06/20/2025

Type: Dog Bite

Video (Car/Body/Other) : No/Yes/No

Photographs: Yes

On 06/20/2025 at approximately 2125 hours I, Officer Caleb Villhauer was dispatched to 19 Vista Dr in regards to a dog that had just bite a 69 year old female in the face. The reporting party identified as:

Agustin Morales Jr.

Hispanic Male

127 Russell St, Storm Lake, IA, 50588

DOB: 07/24/2005

OLN: 186AN7525

Phone: (712) 730-5513

The female victim who got bit identified as:

Mary Kay Hudspeth

Female

19 Vista DR, Storm Lake, IA, 50588

DOB: 04-02-1956

OLN: 817ZZ7815

SOC

Phone: (712) 299-6793

On, June 21, 2025 I officer Villhauer went to the residence of 19 Vista Dr and spoke with Mary. Mary had gotten surgery in Omaha the night prior on her face. As I was speaking with Mary, she stated that she really hopes that no one gets in trouble for the incident that had happened. She also advised that she really hopes that the dog doesn't get put to sleep. Mary stated that she kept going up to the dog and petting it and that it was not Agustin's fault.

Photos of Mary's face before and after surgery were added to master pictures.

No charges at this time, waiting to see if the husky has it's proper vaccines

This ends my involvement

Officer Villhauer 801

Lt. Solem then went and spoke to the female victim that had gotten bit. I then went to the residence of 7 Vista Dr and spoke with Agustin. Agustin explained that he was currently watching the Husky dog named Luna. Agustin explained that he was walking the dog on Vista Dr. The Husky had a leash on while he was walking it. He explained that he came across a female that was at her residence at 19 vista Dr. H advised that he was having a conversation with the female about animals. The female was then petting the Husky and out of nowhere the Husky then jumped up and bit the female in the face. Agustin then explained that he pulled the dog back by its leash, the female then fell on the ground. Agustine explained that there was a lot of blood, he then called 911.

I then made contact with the owner of Luna the Husky via cellphone. The owner of the Husky identified as:

Tabitha Castaneda

Female

7 Vista Dr, Storm Lake, IA, 50588

DOB: 12/31/1981

OLN: NA

SOC: NA

Phone: 712-299-9736

Tabitha advised that she is currently in Mexico so Agustin is watching her dog. Tabitha advised that she will not be back in Storm Lake until June 26th. I asked Tabitha if the Husky was currently up to date on all of its vaccines. Tabitha advised that she was not sure if It was up to date, she thinks approximately 2 years ago the husky last got it vaccines. Tabitha advised that on Monday, June 23rd, that she would contact her vet and get an exact date on the vaccines.

Being that Tabitha did not have any proof at this time of Vaccines, the husky then needs to go to the Lake animal vet for a Rabies quarantine period. Agustin then put the Husky in his vehicle and followed me to the vet. The husky will be at the vet for a 10 day quarantine period. I advised Tabitha if she shows me proof of current vaccines, that she will be able to get the dog after showing that information.