



Fw: Vista Roble Letter
Fran Zohns to: cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder

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See attached letter for 4/10/12 meeting

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From: Amy Gilman/BOS/COSLO
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 Subject: Fw: Vista Roble Letter

Fran, could you take this one please? :)

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 Subject: FW: Vista Roble Letter

To our County Supervisors-this is letter sent to owner of pit bulls that attacked my dog on March 22-Also want to attend your meeting to discuss new ordinance tomorrow. Can you let me know time and place so I can be there. Thank you'

Robin O'Hara

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Vista Roble Neighborhood Letter.pdf

ITEM # 21
 MEETING DATE: April 10, 2012
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To Jeff at 780 Ridge Road, Nipomo, CA

03/25/2012

On the morning of March 22, 2012 at approx. 7:45 AM, it is our understanding that two of your unattended dogs conducted an unprovoked, vicious attack on a neighbor's dog while her dog was being walked. This attack occurred on a horse trail near the intersection of Live Oak Ridge Road and Villa Nona in Nipomo. It was only through the caring intervention of a neighbor that tragedy was averted. Our neighbor's dog required emergency veterinary attention. We can only hope that you plan to take every precaution to prevent a re-occurrence.

To that end, we are sending you this memo to permit you to understand that we, the undersigned and your neighbors, know who you are, and where you reside. Letting you know that we are aware of the potential threat your dogs pose, might heighten your intention to prevent a neighborhood tragedy from occurring in the future. If there is a next time, you probably won't be so lucky. Such an event could easily result in the maiming or death of a neighbors pet or child.

Your neighbors in Nipomo


 Peter
 Judy Mayas
 Doug Durham
 Cindi Smith Durham
 Juliet Franzen

 Sam Hamilton
 Teresa Tombroni
 James Selkey
 Shirley Horacek

Dill Don
 Ron Yettman
 Peggy Yettman
 Michelle Nelson
 Cathy Del Re
 Paula Horn
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 Al Secombe
 Bob Horacek

Robin + Jim O'Hara
 Janet Selkey
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CC SLQ County Sheriff's Office

Samuel Hamilton – Owner of the property at 780 Ridge Road

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Fw: Aggressive Pet Law, BOS 4-10-12

James Patterson to: cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder
Sent by: **Amy Gilman**

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for the record...

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Subject: Aggressive Pet Law

Aggressive Animal Protection Law

April 9, 2012

Dear County Supervisors;

Tomorrow you will be meeting regarding a revision on a pet law which is designed to ward off attacks by aggressive pets who may have a tendency to bite or attack innocent people, especially in unprovoked situations.

The newspaper article on the subject stated new fines would be imposed and new definitions will be in place, but no where did it address any behavior modification training or programs, nor did it address any laws already on the books, specifically the *Hayden Law which requires all pets to be spayed and neutered*, unless they are a show animal or have a breeders license, or other exemption from the law.

Through over 35 years of working with animals in veterinary settings, shelter settings and personal experiences, I would bet my bottom dollar that most of these aggressive animals causing these problems, are NOT neutered. (Surely, DAS must keep stats on these calls).

Testosterone plays a huge part in an animal's aggressive behavior, and should therefore be added into the factors which determine the ordinances. For example, if an unneutered dog is found to be aggressive and bites or attacks someone unprovoked, not only should a larger fine be imposed, but the animal MUST be immediately neutered upon the first offense... within 10, 15, 30 days. Proof must be provided to the DAS to avoid further penalties/fines. (Possible handling/training classes could be imposed as well).

As a teen, I had a wonderful dog, but not neutered. Although he was contained in a sturdy 6-foot high, fenced-in yard, there was a female in heat 2 miles away, he actually broke *through* the solid fence, pushing out the boards and was gone when I got home from school.

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He came back, but the point is, if he was neutered, that wouldn't have happened.

As a landlord myself, if a tenant has a pet, my very first question is "is it neutered?" because then not only do I know I have a responsible tenant, but I also won't be personally responsible for future pregnancies and other unwanted and aggressive behaviors that go along with having an intact animal.

Also for example, in cats, if a spraying, fighting tomcat is neutered, his spraying and caterwauling will cease immediately and he will no longer be a pest in the neighborhood.

Most landlords' insurances don't allow potentially "vicious" breeds of dogs anyway, but by making landlords accountable for unneutered pets will go a long way in curbing the problem and head off the attacks before they happen.

Please reiterate responsible pet ownership in this pet law, and add that all pets MUST be spayed and neutered to help alleviate any unwanted or aggressive behaviors.

Diana Duncan

President, VFA

Volunteers For Animals



Fw: dog ordinance, 4-10-12

James Patterson to: cr_board_clerk Clerk Recorder
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Subject: dog ordinance

Dear County Supervisors,

I am very concerned about the dog attack incident with Robin O'Hara and her dog. I am not from her neighborhood. I am shocked that there is not a more aggressive law regarding the consequences for such a violent incident. I believe that dog should have been "put down" for his/her life-threatening attack on Robin's dog and potentially Robin herself. Fortunately there was not a child with them. I was bitten by our neighbor's very small dog years ago and I never felt completely comfortable in my front yard after that attack. I did have to seek medical attention. That same dog did attack again and bite a member of their family. The owners of those pitbulls, also, need to feel the pain of their reckless behavior for not keeping their dogs secured within their own property. The fines that you are suggesting - I believe- are not tough enough to make them aware of the seriousness of this incident. Please consider a more aggressive punishment for the safety and well-being of the residents of this county and their pets.

Sincerely,
Marilyn Lindgren

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