

Date of Incident	08-23-2023
Prepared By	Stephen Cicala
Reviewed By	Incident Report was reviewed by Brian Kroker on 08-24-2023 at 06:31 PM.
Property	251 Dekalb
Time of Incident	10:00:00
Location of Incident	East tower dog park

Incident Type

Misc.

Description of Incident

Police Report# 23-18128 Last night the incident occurred at the east building dog park between 10-10:15 PM. Nicole got home from work late and took her dog to be outside for a little before bed. Her dog "Mars" a black lab, had his collar and a safety harness on. The other dog owner, whom Nicole doesn't recognize but has seen him take the stairs from the third floor of East tower, walked over to Nicole and Mars and the dogs started sniffing through fence. Nicole said her dog is friendly with other dogs, but the owner did not specify if his dog was or wasn't. The gate was opened for them to greet. The dogs sniffed for maybe 3 seconds. The Pitbull bit my dog on the butt and then after my dog yelped and turned, the pit went to his throat. Nicole grabbed his collar and would not let go. Thrashing her dog around while he screamed in pain and fear. Nicole got down to separate dogs but could not grab Pitbull since there was no collar. She had to put her hand in the mouth of the Pitbull to pry him off her dog's neck. The Pitbull would not release, and the owner just yelled and kicked the Pitbull. Nicole was able to find the clasp on her dog's collar to release it and the Pitbull finally let go. Before she could grab her dog's harness, he ran to the other side of gate and went headfirst into gate while the Pitbull continued chase. The owner screamed at Nicole, saying "get my dog" while he did nothing to help or try to de-escalate the situation. Nicole caught up before the Pitbull could grab her dog's throat again and laid her body completely over him to prevent the other dog from continuing the attack. The Pitbull's owner finally grabbed him and screamed at Nicole to get her dog out of there. He proceeded to punch, kick, and beat his dog saying he was going to kill him. People from the community came outside and a Good Samaritan called the police. Nicole got into the vestibule area of dog park and held him for comfort while the other owner continued to beat his dog. During this attack Nicole's roommate heard her screams for help "help me please, he's going to kill Mars" were Nicole's exactly words her roommate heard and ran downstairs. When Nicole was in the vestibule, she was running up to me to check on Mars and Nicole's condition. Nicole then investigated the injuries to Mars. Nicole then called local police the police this morning and spoke with Paula Levis who is now handling the situation and gathering information from the other party. Mars had defecated himself at some point during the attack and I washed him with antibacterial soap and treated wounds with neosporin. Dublin vet called at 8 a.m. today, 8/24, appointment set for 3 p.m. to have Mars trimmed and cleaned. I will also be needing a tetanus shot. After the attack damage is as follows: Mars • 2 lacerations on left ear • Large laceration on side of neck • Puncture wound under chin Nicole • Puncture and single laceration on right pointer • Knuckle torn on left pointer and another puncture on back of hand, scraps on thumb • Small lacerations on left middle and ring finger. • Bruises all over left wrist • Mars collar ripped and his AirTag on the collar was torn off (went back down after attack to retrieve it)

Corrective action taken at the time of the incident

I contacted the resident via phone and email to get more information. I communicated that we need to locate where the other dog resides and find the owner. Once positively located, the dog will be removed from the community immediately. Our team also contacted the witness Kaitlyn O'Neill, from E815. We left a voicemail message for Kate to call the Management Office.

What we have done related to Customer Service and helping the resident, if anything?

I have been in contact with Paula Levis, Special Officer, from Upper Merion Police.

Witnesses names and phone number

Kaitlyn O'Neill, 954-658-4989

Was there security camera footage of this incident?

No

Link to security footage video in Box

http://

Did this incident involve a resident?

Yes

Unit

E0514

Resident Name

Nicole Calligan

Did this incident involve a Lindy team member?

No

Did this incident involve a vendor?

No





