Richland Center Police Department

Incident Report

Case Number: 2023-1754A

Date/Time Reported		Nature of Incident		Case Status		
11/21/2023	2:22 pm	ANIMAL COMPLAINT		Closed		
Date/Time Occurred			Case Outcome/Disposition			
11/21/2023 2:22 PM			Closed			
Location of Incident						
475 North Orange Street, Richland Center WI 53581						

Assigned Units

Assigned Lt. Lauren E Moe RCPD 14:22

Complainant

62 Atkinson, Dean R Birth Date: 04/23/1961 Age at Inc: White 440 North Jefferson Street Gender: Male Race: Richland Center, WI 53581 Hair: Blond Eyes: Blue Home Phone: 5' 11" (608) 604-3606 Height: Weight: 200 DL State/No: WI/A325-1766-1143-04

Questioned

Gambsky, Tanya J Birth Date: 07/20/1985 Age at Inc: 38 White 475 North Orange Street Apt 2 Gender: Female Race: Richland Center, WI 53581 Hair: Brown Brown Eyes: Home Phone: (608) 475-4217 Height: 5'0" Weight: 100 DL State/No: WI/G512-8108-5760-09 ID

Report Notes

ON 11-21-2023, I, LIEUTENANT LAUREN MOE OF THE RICHLAND CENTER POLICE DEPARTMENT, WAS REQUESTED TO MEET WITH TANYA GAMBSKY AT 475 NORTH ORANGE STREET FOR A REPORT OF HER HAVING A DUCK ON HER PROPERTY IN VIOLATION OF THE CITY ORDINANCE. IT WAS ALSO REPORTED, BY DEAN ATKINSON, THAT TANYA WAS IN POSSESSION OF A SNAPPING TURTLE.

I THEN MET WITH TANYA AT HER RESIDENCE. I OBSERVED THAT TANYA DID HAVE A WHITE DUCK IN A PEN BENEATH HER DECK. I ASKED TANYA IF SHE HAD A TURTLE AND SHE STATED THAT SHE DID BUT SHE WANTED TO GET RID OF THE TURTLE. I EXPLAINED TO TANYA THAT SHE COULD CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO DIRECT HER ON WHO TO CONTACT FOR REPTILE RESCUE. TANYA STATED THAT SHE WOULD DO SO.

I ASKED TANYA WHY SHE STILL HAD THE DUCK ON HER PROPERTY AFTER SHE WAS INFORMED BY OFFICER ELIZABETH DEITELHOFF, OF THE RICHLAND CENTER POLICE DEPARTMENT, THAT POSSESSION OF THE DUCK WAS A VIOLATION OF CITY ORDINANCE 310. TANYA STATED THAT SHE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER FROM HER DOCTOR ADVISING THAT THE DUCK WAS AN EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL. TANYA THEN PROVIDED ME WITH THE LETTER WHICH I OBTAINED A PHOTO OF. THE PHOTOGRAPH IS ARCHIVED AT THE RICHLAND CENTER POLICE DEPARTMENT. BECAUSE EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS ARE NOT ADDRESSED IN OUR CITY ORDINANCE I ADVISED HER THAT I WOULD NOT PURSUE FURTHER ACTION REGARDING THE DUCK. HOWEVER, I ASKED THAT SHE TRY TO RELOCATE THE ANIMAL SO THAT IT DOES NOT BOTHER ANY NEIGHBORS OR PASSERSBY. TANYA SAID THAT SHE WOULD LOOK INTO IT. I THEN ENDED MY CONTACT WITH TANYA.

I CALLED DEAN ATKINSON TO INFORM HIM OF MY CONTACT WITH TANYA. DEAN SAID THAT HE

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WAS UPSET BECAUSE HE HAD PROVIDED DRUG RELATE						
DEPARTMENT IN THE PAST, RECENTLY RECEIVED A CITA	TION FROM AN OFFICER,	AND FELT				
THAT BECAUSE HE RECEIVED THE CITATION THAT HE W	OULD NO LONGER PROVI	DE				
INFORMATION TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. I EXPLAINE	ED TO DEAN THAT IF HE W	/ISHED TO				
CONTEST THE CITATION HE COULD DO SO IN COURT AN	D THAT PROVIDING INFOR	RMATION TO				
THE POLICE REGARDING DRUG RELATED ACTIVITY WAS	NOT REQUIRED, IT WAS	VOLUNTARY. I				
THEN ENDED MY CONTACT WITH DEAN, MY DEPARTMENT ISSUED BODY WORN CAMERA WAS						
ACTIVATED AND THAT VIDEO FOOTAGE IS ARCHIVED AT THE RICHLAND CENTER POLICE						
DEPARTMENT.						
12-14-23 SAM						
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Officer Signature	Date	☐ Further Investigation				
Supervisor Signature	Date					