



VETERINARY REPORT

To: Whom it may concern

On 11 July 2024, SPCA Inspector Nicole Venter presented a dog collected a dog from 123B Deposition Crescent, Seawinds. Inspector Venter and I discussed the necessity to humanely euthanize the dog before a veterinary evaluation to prevent further suffering. A video was taken before the animal was humanely euthanized. A veterinary evaluation was performed after the dog was humanely euthanized.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Canine
Breed: Pitbull
Sex: Male, intact
Age: Adult
Tattoo/Microchip/Other: Nil
Name: Thor
Description: Brown and white
Admission number: A36507

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

Based on the video footage: The dog can clearly be seen to have laboured breathing (open mouth breathing, an indication of severe respiratory distress), and bilateral bleeding from the nostrils. There was generalized swelling of the face, with more severe swelling on the left-hand side. Both eyes appeared swollen, but the left eye had a severe bloody discharge present.

Open, bleeding wounds with discharge were visualized on both distal front limbs.

On radiographic examination: Multiple fractures of the frontal bone were evident. The left lateral view showed evidence of these fractures, which were also visible on the right lateral view.

COMMENTS

Based on the findings, this dog was in severe respiratory distress. The breathing sounds heard, this dog was in severe respiratory distress. The breathing sounds heard on the video and exerted breathing efforts are indicative of blood in the airway. This is further substantiated by the bilateral bloody nasal discharge.

In my professional experience, this is likely due to trauma sustained. The swelling of the face, including the eyes, as well as fractures of the frontal bones, are also most likely due to blunt force trauma. A large amount of force is required to fracture any bone in the body. The nature of these injuries is extremely painful and severe.

In my opinion, this dog sustained extreme pain and unnecessary suffering. Humane euthanasia was the only option to alleviate this animal from further pain and suffering.

Yours Sincerely,

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Veterinarian

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