



FARMINGTON HILLS POLICE



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Farmington Hills Police Investigating Death, Dog Mauling

The dog has been turned over to Oakland County Animal Control

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. (May 20, 2024) – On Saturday, May 18, 2024, at approximately 8:00 p.m., the Farmington Hills Police Department responded to a residence in the 22000 block of Elmgrove St. on a report of an injured man who had been attacked by a family dog.

A family member of the resident called 911 to report that he went to his relative's home after not hearing from him all day, and upon arrival, the family member found the man unconscious, laying on the ground in the backyard of the home with the dog pulling at his body. The family member advised that he had separated and contained the dog in the house prior to calling 911. There were no other people in the house.

When officers arrived on scene, they found a 40-year-old man unconscious with significant wounds consistent with animal bites. Farmington Hills Fire Department firefighter/paramedics arrived on scene, provided aid and transported the victim to Corewell Hospital Farmington Hills, where he ultimately succumbed to his wounds.

The Oakland County Medical Examiner performed an autopsy, which ruled the manner of death as accidental and the cause of death as K-9 mauling. The dog, which has been turned over to the Oakland County Animal Control, is believed to be a Pitbull mix.

Investigators are working with family members to determine if the dog had any previous history of aggression or could have been labeled as "dangerous or potentially dangerous" by Farmington Hills City Ordinance.

Anyone with information related to this incident is asked to contact the Farmington Hills Police Department at 248-871-2610.

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