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Police shoot dog after two attacks Saturday, 4:45 p.m.: Two officers bitten

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Ottawa police were forced to shoot and kill a dog early Saturday morning after it attacked two officers, biting one of them in the groin.

Police were responding to a call at about 5:50 a.m. after they received a call from an Amberwood Cres. homeowner.

The owner had confronted a 24-year-old woman, who had two dogs with her at the time, and who was removing items from a back yard shed. When the homeowner attempted to stop the woman she attacked him.

The woman left on foot immediately with her two dogs after punching the man. When the first officer located the woman she tied her two dogs to a telephone pole. When the officer attempted to arrest the female she became aggressive and resisted arrest.

When the larger of the two dogs began to lunge at the officer the woman released the dogs. The larger of the two dogs, a boxer, attacked the police officer biting him on his right calf and shin.

When the officer couldn't stop the dog from attacking him he shot it in the hind area. The bullet didn't stop the dog's attack and after repeatedly requesting the woman tie the dog up she walked away.

The boxer then turned its attention on a second officer who arrived to help biting him in the groin. The second officer also shot the dog but "the boxer became frenzied and continued to attack the officers," a press release said yesterday. The officers fired several more shots that killed the animal.

When the woman was finally arrested the two officers received treatment for their wounds and were released.

The woman is expected to be charged.