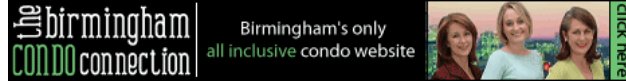


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Hoover charges two dog owners in attacks on other dogs

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Hoover police have arrested two people in connection with three dog attacks against other dogs that occurred on Shadybrook Circle in Hoover over the past six months.

Lindsay Hamby, 24, of Attalla was arrested at her workplace Friday on warrants signed by Melinda Brown of Hoover.

According to Brown's complaints, an Akita cared for by Hamby entered Brown's yard on March 16 and attacked and critically injured her dog.

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Brown also signed a complaint against Steven Kim, 31, of Hoover, saying Kim's Akita attacked her dog in the same yard on Sept. 28. It was unclear whether the complaints involved the same dog.

Another Shadybrook Circle resident, William Stellwagen, pressed charges against Hamby last week, saying his dog was attacked in his yard on Feb. 14 by an Akita and cross-breed dog being cared for by Hamby.

Kim and Hamby were charged with keeping a vicious dog, a misdemeanor, and released on bonds of \$500 for each count.

Hoover police Assistant Chief A. C. Roper said dog bites aren't uncommon but it's rare to have arrests, especially for dogs biting other dogs.

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