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On January 18, 2011, Tuesday evening at approximately 6:05 p.m. Terrebonne Parish deputies were dispatched to the Terrebonne General Medical Center in reference to a dog bite with the victim being a four year old child.

Deputies arrived at the hospital and made contact with the father of the four year old victim. He informed deputies that his son was bit by their next door neighbor's pit bull and that his neighbors own several pit bulls. The deputy obtained information that the four year old victim was standing in his backyard talking, through a wood fence, to a four year old child who was in the same backyard as the pit bull. The pit bull then lunged forward and bit four year old boy in the forehead. The victim received thirty-four stitches to the exterior of his forehead and thirty to the interior; he was later released from the hospital prior to midnight Tuesday night.

Deputies went back to the location, 120 Westwood Dr. Houma, where this incident occurred and learned that the pit bull was legally confined in the backyard at 118 Westwood Dr. when this incident occurred.

Terrebonne Parish Animal Control responded to this location and the pit bull was released to their custody.

This case is a civil matter and there was no one charged in this incident.

Sheriff Vernon Bourgeois