

## CHAPTER VII

### ANIMALS

SECTION 7.00. Animals Not to Run at Large. No person, firm or corporation having in his or its possession or under his or its control any animal or fowl shall allow the same to run at large without being attended by its owner or possessor, within the corporate limits of the Town of Lyons, Walworth County, Wisconsin.

- a. For the purpose of this ordinance, the phrase "run at large" shall be defined to be the presence of such animal or fowl at any place in the said town except on the premises of the owner or the premises of another with the consent of the owner or occupant.
- b. An animal shall be deemed to be attended by the owner or possessor if such animal is either on a leash or rope or otherwise under the immediate control of the owner or possessor.

SECTION 7.10. Proximity to Dwellings of Others. No person, firm or corporation having in his or its possession or under his or its control any animal or fowl (other than dogs and cats) shall allow the same to be kept closer than 200 feet to any dwelling house other than that of such person, firm or corporation.

SECTION 7.20. Hooved Animals. No person, firm or corporation shall:

- Keep any hooved animal on any parcel of land less than two (2) acres in area.
- Keep more than one (1) hooved animal on any parcel of land between two (2) and five (5) acres in area.

SECTION 7.30. Raising and Keeping Domestic Animals. No person, firm or corporation shall raise or propagate domestic animals of any kind, except dogs and cats (which dogs and cats shall be limited to no more than three of each per dwelling), or maintain facilities for such purpose within any platted subdivision or within any residential district within the corporate limits of the Town, without first obtaining a permit to do so from the Town Board of said Town.

- a. The determination of whether an area, lot(s), or parcel(s) constitutes a "residential district" as provided above shall be in the sole discretion of the Town Board.
- b. Any person desiring a permit herein shall make application in writing to the said Town Board, which application shall be signed by the applicant and shall set forth the name

and residence of the applicant, a correct and accurate description of the premises for which the permit is asked and a statement of the purposes in detail for which the permit is being asked, and also enumerate the number of fowl or animals desired to be kept on said premises.

- c. The Town Board may issue or deny such permit taking into consideration the particular premises, the neighborhood in which such premises are located, their proximity to dwellings and business places, their effect upon the public health and the effect that the keeping and maintaining of such fowl or animals may have upon the enjoyment of the adjoining property in the neighborhood or area. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no permit shall be issued for any premises less than three (3) acres in area. Such permit may be issued subject to any conditions the Town Board may impose upon payment of a permit fee of \$500.00.
- d. Such permit shall be issued for a term of two (2) years and is subject to renewal. The permit shall be effective only to the person to whom the same is issued and only upon the premises described in the application. It may be cancelled or revoked by the Town Board at any time after the issuance of the same upon giving to such applicant, or any person in possession of the premises, 15 days notice of such cancellation or revocation.

#### SECTION 7.40. Penalty Provisions.

- a. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of Sections 7.00, 7.10, or 7.20 of this ordinance shall upon conviction of such violation forfeit not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$100.00 together with the costs of prosecution and in default of payment of such forfeiture and costs of prosecution shall be imprisoned in the County Jail for not more than thirty (30) days.
- b. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of Sections 7.30 of this ordinance shall upon conviction of such violation forfeit not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00 together with the costs of prosecution and in default of payment of such forfeiture and costs of prosecution shall be imprisoned in the County Jail for not more than thirty (30) days.
- c. Each violation and each day violation continues or occurs shall constitute a separate offense. Nothing in this ordinance shall preclude the Town from maintaining any appropriate action to prevent or remove a violation of any provision of this ordinance by injunction.



**ORDINANCE NO. VII SECTION 7.50**

**WHEREAS**, Lakeland Animal Welfare Society, Inc. is involved in the adoption or redemption of numerous dogs, which are required to be licensed under Section 174 of the Wisconsin Statutes;

**WHEREAS**, it is the policy of Lakeland Animal Welfare Society, Inc. to inform dog owners of the licensing requirements, but many owners fail to comply: and

**WHEREAS**, Lakeland Animal Welfare Society, Inc. is willing to assist the Town Treasurer in the issuance of dog licenses.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Lakeland Animal Welfare Society, Inc. and its authorized employees are hereby designated as Collecting Officials under Section 174.065 of the Wisconsin Statutes, with full authority to issue dog licenses and collar tags pursuant to Section 174.07 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

2. Lakeland Animal Welfare Society, Inc., shall remit all license fees and license blanks to the Town Treasurer as directed.

3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage and publication.

Adopted this 11 day of September, 1995

Chairman Kurt Boyer

1st Supervisor Paul C. May

2nd Supervisor James Laufenberg

3rd Supervisor Peter Seidel

4th Supervisor William Champfild

ATTEST:

Clerk Audrey Faber

