

**TOWN OF COOPERSTOWN  
MANITOWOC COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-07**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE GENERAL CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF  
COOPERSTOWN, MANITOWOC COUNTY, WI**

The Town Board of the Town of Cooperstown, Manitowoc County, Wisconsin, pursuant to Secs 60.22, 60.33 (11), and its village powers pursuant to Sec. 60.10, Wis. Stats., hereby amends the General Code of Ordinances of the Town of Cooperstown, and do ordain as follows:

CHAPTER 8 – 8.02 REGULATION AND LICENSING OF DOGS.

I. DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE AND UNTAGGED DOGS.

1. *Dogs Running at Large.* A dog is considered to be running at large if it is off the premises of its owner and not under the control of the owner or some other person, as defined in sub. (8)(b) above.
2. *Untagged Dogs.* A dog is considered to be untagged if a valid license tag is not attached to a collar which is kept on the dog whenever the dog is outdoors unless the dog is securely confined in a fenced area.
3. *Dogs Subject to Impoundment.* Peace officers shall attempt to capture and restrain any dog running at large and any untagged dog. Peace officers shall attempt to return to its owner upon the happening of all of the following:
  - (a) The owner claims the animal and provides reasonable evidence of ownership.
  - (b) If licensure is required by statute or ordinance, the animal is licensed or assurance of licensure by prepayment is given.
  - (c) If vaccination is required by statute or ordinance, the animal is vaccinated or assurance of vaccination by prepayment is given.
4. *Penalties.* If the owner of a dog, negligently or otherwise, permits the dog to run at large or be untagged, the owner shall forfeit \$100 for the first offense and \$200 for subsequent offenses.

**CHAPTER 15 – APPENDIX A FEES, FINES & PENALTIES**

SECTION	FEES, FINES & PENALTIES	Fee	Penalty
8.02	Dog License-spayed or neutered	5.00	25.00
8.02	Dog License-	10.00	25.00
8.02	Kennel License	35.00	
8.02	Late Fee- after April 1 <sup>st</sup>		25.00
8.02	Failure to obtain rabies vaccination		50.00
8.02	Failure to obtain rabies vaccination -2 <sup>nd</sup> offense	100.00	
8.02	Refusal to comply with quarantine		100.00
8.02	Refusal to comply with quarantine - 2 <sup>nd</sup> offense	500.00	
8.02	Dog running at-large- 1 <sup>st</sup> offense		100.00
8.02	Dog running at-large- subsequent offenses		200.00

REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. Any existing ordinance of the Town of Cooperstown in conflict with any provision of this ordinance is hereby repealed by adoption hereof.

SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Ordinance is for any reason found to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such findings shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this Ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect.

EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall be effective upon adoption by the Town Board and posting according to law.

Adopted this 18 day of May, 2026.

Joseph Shibley  
Town Chairman  
Attested:

Susan Konecny  
Town Clerk

Roll Call Vote of the Town Board:

Chairman Joe Havlovitz Y, Supervisor Shibley Y, Supervisor Propson Y