NOTICE TO ALL BAYFIELD COUNTY DOG OWNERS

Pursuant to §174.052, Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given to all owners of dogs in Bayfield County that rabies vaccinations and dog licenses are required.

Vaccination by a veterinarian against rabies of all dogs is required (§95.21(2)) except as provided in §174.054, the owner of the dog shall have the dog vaccinated against rabies by a veterinarian within thirty (30) days after the dog reaches four (4) months of age and revaccinated within one (1) year after the initial vaccination. Older vaccinated dogs must be revaccinated when the certificate expires or within three (3) years of the previous vaccination. Certificates of current vaccination must be presented when obtaining dog licenses. Present law exempts presentation of proof of vaccination in municipalities where no local ordinance demands such proof.

All dogs five (5) months of age or older require a license. The minimum license fee for neutered males or spayed females is Five Dollars (\$5.00), upon presentation of evidence attesting to the same and Twelve Dollars (\$12.00) for the unneutered male or unspayed female dog. These minimums may be supplemented by local municipal action. Kennel licenses have been raised to Fifty-Five Dollars (\$55.00).

PENALTIES

A late fee of Five Dollars (\$5.00) shall be assessed and collected from the owner of each dog five (5) months of age or over who fails to obtain a dog license by April 1, 2023.

An owner who fails to have a dog vaccinated against rabies as required by statute may be required to forfeit not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

2023 dog licenses can be obtained from your local treasurer right now.

Lynn M. Divine *Bayfield County Clerk*