

ORDINANCE #01

LICENSING OF DOGS

An Ordinance providing for a license for keeping dogs within the limits of the Village of Cochrane.

The President and Trustees of the Village of Cochrane do ordain:

Section 1. The owner or keeper of any dog over eight (8) weeks old kept within such limits of the village of Cochrane as are laid out in plat and lots, shall on or before the 15th day of October in each year, pay to the village treasurer a license fee of one dollar and fifty (50) cents for every male and three (3) dollars for every female dog which shall be over eight (8) weeks old, such treasurer shall thereupon deliver to such owner or keeper a suitable metal tag or check with the words "Cochrane License" and the number inscribed thereon, whereupon such owner and keeper shall cause such tag to be securely fastened to the collar of each such dog.

Every such license shall expire on the 15th day of October next after its issue. The Village treasurer shall keep a record of all such licenses issued with the respective numbers thereof and the names of the persons obtaining the same.

Section 2. Any dog not so licensed as above provided, found running at large upon any of the streets of the Village of Cochrane within the limits prescribed in section one of this Ordinance, where the owner thereof is not known or cannot be found shall be distrained and impounded by the Marshal of said Village and at the end of two days after such distrained and impounding, if said dog be not reclaimed by the owner, the license fee here in before mentioned paid together with the cost of impounding, said Marshal shall dispatch such dog in a summary manner.

Section 3. The owner or keeper of any dog within the above described limits of the Village, who shall refuse or neglect to pay the license fee as provided for in section one of this Ordinance shall after the 30th day of October in each year upon the demand of the Village Marshal be compelled to pay to the Marshall of said Village a fee of fifty (50) cents, for each and every dog so owned or kept in addition to the regular license fee as provided for in section one of this Ordinance. And any person or persons owning or keeping any dog within the above described limits of said Village who shall refuse or neglect to pay the license fee as provided for in this section within three (3) days after such demand, shall on conviction thereof, before any Justice of the Peace in said Village be fined in the sum of five (5) dollars and cost of the suit.

Section 4. The Marshall shall receive as a special compensation for carrying out the provisions of this Ordinance, fifty (50) cents for every tag collected after October 30th and the same sum for every suit commenced to recover such license.

Section 5. The owner or keeper of any female dog who shall allow such dog to run at large when in heat shall on conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not less than five (5) dollars, and in default of payment of such fine, shall be imprisoned in the common jail of Cochrane or county jail of Buffalo County, not less than five and not more than ten days.

Section 6. Any owner or keeper of a dog within the above described limits of the Village of Cochrane who shall remove or cause such dog to be removed from the above mentioned limits of said Village without first having paid the required tax as provided for in section one of the Ordinance, shall not be allowed to have such dog in his possession within the above limits at any time within one year from the date when said tax first became due and payable unless such owner or keeper shall first pay to the Village treasurer of said Village a fee of fifty cents in addition to the regular license fee provided for in section one of this Ordinance, and any owner or keeper who shall violate the provisions of this section, shall on conviction before any Justice of the Peace in said Village be fined in the sum of five dollars and costs of such suit.

Section 7. Any person who shall become the owner or keeper of any dog over eight weeks of age, after the 15th day of October in each year, upon which the license fee for the keeping of the same within the village limits above described, shall be required to pay a pro-rata license fee on the basis above provided, from the time he becomes the owner of such dog until the succeeding 15th day of October.

Section 8. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Passed September 12th, 1910

G.M. Rohrer
Village President

Attest:
John Meili
Village Clerk