

ORDINANCE NO 03-2010

DOMESTIC ANIMALS

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY OF GRAND RIVERS, KENTUCKY ORDINANCE NUMBER 03-99

WHEREAS, the City of Grand Rivers wishes to protect its citizens from domestic animals and desires to require domestic animals to be under the control of their owners.

NOW THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF GRAND RIVERS, KENTUCKY DOES AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBER 03-99 TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. LICENSURE OF DOGS: FEE

All dogs shall be required to be licensed by the City of Grand Rivers. Dog licenses shall be issued by the City Clerk of Grand Rivers and said license shall be issued only after proof of proper inoculations are presented. The cost of obtaining said license shall be set by the City Council. For a period of three months after the enactment of this ordinance, the City Clerk shall issue dog licenses without cost to the owner.

Section 2. DOGS-DOMESTIC ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE

Each owner or person in control of any ~~dog~~ domestic animal licensed or unlicensed, shall, at all times keep such ~~dog~~ domestic animal securely confined so as not to leave the premises of the owner or person in control. Any ~~dog~~ domestic animal found off the premises of the owner or controller shall be on a leash or other physical restraint or control of the owner or person in control.

Section 3. CITATION TO OWNER OF ~~DOG~~ DOMESTIC ANIMAL IN VIOLATION

Any authorized city personnel employed by the city, shall issue a citation to the owner or keeper of any ~~dog~~ domestic animal found running at large and not under control of the owner or keeper. Such citation shall be issued whether the ~~dog~~ domestic animal is licensed or unlicensed.

Section 4. SEIZURE, IMPOUNDMENT, NOTICE TO OWNER, DISPOSITION

Any ~~dog~~ domestic animal found running at large shall be seized or impounded by the authorized city personnel. Provided, however, the authorized city personnel shall not enter upon the premises of the owner or keeper of any ~~dog~~ domestic animal for the purpose of apprehending and/or impounding such animal. Any unlicensed ~~dog~~ domestic animal so seized and impounded which has not been claimed within seven days after seizure shall be humanely disposed of. Any properly licensed ~~dog~~ domestic animal so seized shall be held for seven days from the date of seizure, and thereafter an attempt shall be made to locate the owner at the address shown on the collar of the ~~dog~~ domestic animal or by telephone. After an additional seven days, if such ~~dog~~ domestic animal is not claimed, whether the owner has been contacted or not, the ~~dog~~ domestic animal shall be disposed of in a like manner as if unlicensed.

However, this section does not apply to the disposition of sick or hurt animals where the owner is not known or cannot be located. These animals may be put to sleep at any time to prevent suffering.

Section 4. RELEASE OF IMPOUNDED ~~DOG~~ DOMESTIC ANIMAL: FEES

(A) When a licensed ~~dog~~ domestic animal is impounded pursuant to this subchapter, the owner may apply to the City Clerk for release of such ~~dog~~ domestic animal, who shall charge a fee of \$25.00 (twenty-five dollars) plus cost of confinement, for such redemption. The redemption fee for any subsequent redemption shall be \$50.00 (fifty dollars) plus cost of confinement.

Upon payment of said redemption fee, the City Clerk shall issue a notice of release to the authorized city personnel who shall release said ~~dog~~ domestic animal.

(B) When an unlicensed ~~dog~~ domestic animal is impounded pursuant to this subchapter and such ~~dog~~ domestic animal is sought to be redeemed, the authorized city personnel shall have such animal properly inoculated and licensed and a redemption fee of \$50.00 (fifty dollars) shall be charged plus the cost of inoculation, license and cost of confinement.

Section 5. DOG DOMESTIC ANIMAL CONTROL ACCOUNT

All license fees, fines, and redemption fees collected hereunder shall be collected by the City Clerk and retained in an account under the title City ~~Dog~~ Domestic Animal Control Account, which funds shall be used to defray the costs of enforcing this subchapter.


Date of First Reading of Ordinance: May 11, 2010

Date of Second Reading of Ordinance: June 8, 2010

Date of Publication of Ordinance:

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Ordinance Referenced: Minutes Book , Page

  
B.T. Moodie, Mayor


ATTEST:

  
Joe Dry, City Clerk

Certification

I, Joe Dry, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed clerk of the City of Grand Rivers, Kentucky, that the foregoing Ordinance is a true and correct copy of an ordinance duly adopted at a meeting of the City Council on June 8, 2010, that the Ordinance referred to therein is in the form presented to said meeting and in the form executed, and the said ordinance appears as a matter of public record in the Official City Ordinance Book and is still in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my signature on this 8 day of June, 2010.

  
Joe Dry, City Clerk