

No. 14,

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Repealed
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DOG LICENSE

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSING OF DOGS TO RUN AT LARGE
AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.

Be it ordained by the Council of the Town of Buffalo, Iowa:

SECTION 1. That any person shall be considered the owner of a dog who shall own, or have in charge, or harbor the same or allow it to remain on or about his premises to exceed three days.

SECTION 2. No dog over three months old shall run at large unless a license to run at large has been procured and the license paid, which license shall be two and one-half (\$2.50) dollars for a male dog or spayed bitch, and five (\$5.00) dollars for a female dog, not unless such dog shall wear a metallic or leather collar bearing the name of the owner and the license tag. Such license shall not be issued for a dog known to be vicious or dangerous, and no vicious dog, whether licensed or not, shall be allowed to run at large.

SECTION 3. The owner shall annually, before the first day of March, pay the license for that year and secure a license tag from the clerk for each dog owned.

SECTION 4. The owner of any dog, after paying such license, shall place upon every such animal a collar, with the name of the owner inscribed thereon, the number and year given by the clerk on a metal tag supplied by the clerk, and such collar shall be kept on such dog during the year for which the license is paid, and no person shall place any such collar on any dog for which the license has not been paid.

SECTION 5. The marshal, or other person appointed by the

mayor in writing, from and after the first day of May in each year, shall make or cause to be made, personal demand of the owner of any dog for which the license has not been paid, for the license for that year, and notify the owner to put and keep a collar with the license tag round the neck of each dog owned. The marshal or other person shall receive fifty cents for each dog on which he collects a license after May first of each year, which fifty cents shall be in addition to the license above provided and which shall be paid by the owner of the dog.

SECTION 6. The marshal, or other person appointed by the mayor in writing, shall kill any dog running at large on and after July first of each year for which the owner has not paid the license or which dog does not have the collar on, as above required. The marshal or other person shall receive a fee, to be paid by the municipality, of fifty cents for each dog killed under the provisions of this and other sections of this ordinance.

SECTION 7. It shall be unlawful for any person owning a female dog to permit or suffer her to run at large, when she is in heat, with or without a muzzle, or with or without a license, and every such female dog found running at large shall be killed by the marshal or other person appointed by the mayor in writing, to kill the same.

SECTION 8. It shall be lawful for any person to kill any dog caught in the act of worrying, maiming, or killing any domestic animal or domestic fowl, or attempting to bite or attack any person outside the enclosure of the owner of such dog.

SECTION 9. Upon the written complaint of one or more persons, filed with the mayor, that any dog owned by the persons named

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in the ~~complaints~~ committing injury to persons or property, or
is an annoyance, dangerous, offensive, or unhealthy, the mayor
shall notify the owner to restrain such dog from running at large,
and keep such dog upon the premises of the owner, even though the
license has been paid, and it shall be unlawful to violate the
order.

SECTION 10. Whenever the mayor deems it expedient, or
whenever instructed to do so by the council, he shall issue his
proclamation requiring all persons owning dogs to confine the same
from running at large, without being securely muzzled, for a
specified time stated, not exceeding ninety days, and it shall be
the duty of every person, upon publication of such proclamation,
owning a dog, to confine the same by good and sufficient means, or
cause the same to be properly muzzled so as to prevent the same from
biting any person or animal.

SECTION 11. It shall be the duty of the marshal, or other
person appointed by the mayor in writing, to kill any dog found
running at large after the issuing of said proclamation, not
properly muzzled, whether the owner of such dog has paid the license
or not.

SECTION 12. This ordinance shall not apply to dogs of farm-
ers and others coming into or passing through the municipality,
but only to such dogs as are owned or harbored or remain within
the limits.

SECTION 13. Anyone violating any of the provisions of this
ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to imprisonment not
exceeding thirty days or to a fine not exceeding one hundred

(~~\$~~100.00) dollars. Whenever the fine and costs imposed for the violation of this ordinance are not paid, the person may be committed to jail until the fine and costs are paid, not to exceed thirty (30) days.

SECTION14. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION15. This ordinance shall take effect and force from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed and approved *March 22nd 1933*

John A. Prignitz Meyer