

ORDINANCE NO. 4-1-94

An Ordinance prescribing Certain Rules and Regulations with respect to the keeping of Dogs within the City of Ash Flat.

SECTION I. VACCINATION:

Vaccination against Rabies shall be required for all dogs and cats 3 months of age or older, and yearly thereafter. Rabies vaccinations must be administered by a licensed Veterinaarian.

SECTION II. TAGS:

All Dogs (and Cats) shall be required to have an annual City License. The license shall expire one year from the date of the animals last Rabies Vaccination. All animals are required to wear both Rabies and City Tags.

License Fee: \$5.00

Fine for no license first offense: \$25.00

Second Offense: Dog impounded for a maximum 3 days - owner to pay vet fees

SECTION III. RESTRAINT:

All Dogs must be kept under restraint at all times, to prevent them from running at large.

Fine First Offense: \$50.00

Second Offense: Impoundment

SECTION IV. IMPOUNDMENT

Cost per day for Impoundment of Animals: \$15.00 to be paid by Owner.

SECTION V. ANIMAL BITES:

Any Dog Running at large, Licensed and Vaccinated or not, that bites a person, the owner of the biting animal shall be subject to a

fine of not less than \$100.00 for the first offense, and not less than \$200.00 on the second offense. Restrained animals that bite a person shall be a civil matter. And in all cases a review shall be made after the quarantine period to decide if further action needs to be taken. Animals of unknown ownership shall be killed and the Head removed and sent to the State Crime Lab for examination immediately by a Law Enforcement Officer. This shall in no way relieve animal owners of liability to the bite victim.

Quarantine Period: Ten Days

Stray Animals: Any animal determined to be a stray shall be disposed of.

SECTION VI. NUMBER OF DOGS.

It shall be unlawful for any person to own or keep more than four (4) dogs over six (6) months old within the City Limits, except the proprietors of dog hospitals or veterinarians.

This Ordinance being necessary for the health, safety and general welfare of the public, an emergency is hereby declared. It shall be in full force and effect after its passage.

PASSES this 11th day of April, 1994.

APPROVED: Edwin R. Martin
Edwin R. Martin, Mayor

ATTEST: Charlotte Goodwin
Charlotte Goodwin,
Recorder