

Ordinance No. 18

Regulating and Restraining the Keeping of Dogs.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of Wathena:

Section 1. That any one who shall keep or harbor a dog or allow a stray dog to feed and stay or harbor upon his or her premises within the limits of the City of Wathena, without obtaining a license to do so, shall upon conviction thereof, be fined in a sum of not less than five nor more than twenty-five dollars and costs.

Section 2. That the license for keeping one male dog shall be one dollar and for additional male dog two dollars. The license fee for keeping one female dog shall be two dollars, and for each additional female dog, three dollars. Female dogs at the season of their aistruation shall be securely penned up and if found running at large at such time shall be killed and the body buried by the Marshal or under his direction in such manner as shall not create a nuisance.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall keep a record of all dog licenses issued, and a description of the dogs whose owners have taken out a license to keep the same, and the City Marshal shall obtain a correct copy thereof from the City Clerk, which shall guide him in avoiding mistakes in the execution of the foregoing section 2, in relation to the killing of dogs.

Section 4. That the City Clerk shall receive a fee of twenty-five cents for each dog in each license issued and the Marshal shall receive twenty-five cents for each dog killed, and twenty-five cents to pay for burying the body.

Section 5 That any one who shall shoot or who shall by poison or otherwise cause the death of, or shall maliciously maim any dog whose owner has complied with the provisions of this ordinance, except, it be in justifiable defense in case he is attacked by a vicious dog outside of the owner's premises shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not less than five nor more than twenty-five dollars.

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in pamphlet form.

Passes the Council September 6, 1898
Approved by the Mayor September 6, 1898

J. F. Harpster, Mayor

Attest: W. T. Stewart, City Clark

ALL SECTIONS REPEALED BY ORDINANCE # 246