

ORDINANCE 94-13
TO AMEND TITLE 7 OF THE BLOOMINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE
ENTITLED, "ANIMALS"
(Adjustment in Fees and Fines)

WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington seeks to recover its costs for issuing licenses for neutered and spayed dogs and cats, and for providing the board and shelter for impounded animals; and

WHEREAS, the cost to the City of issuing those licenses and providing food and shelter for those animals has increased since the last adjustment by ordinance in 1981; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the licensing of cats and dogs by veterinarians, who under a new program would pass along the fee for licensing city and county pets to the Animal Shelter, it would be most efficient for the fees for the two jurisdictions to be uniform;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION I. Section 7.12.040 Fees shall be amended to read "two dollars" in lieu of "one dollar" where such appears in the subsection.

SECTION II. Section 7.24.040(b) Violations shall be deleted and replaced with the following new section:

(b) Persons who violate any provision of this chapter shall be subject to a fine of fifteen dollars for the first offense, with the fine for each subsequent offense of this chapter increasing by an increment of twenty dollars. In the event that the person has no additional violations of this chapter for a period of twelve consecutive months, the fine for any violation of this chapter after that period shall be fifteen dollars for the first offense, with the fine for each subsequent offense increasing by an increment of twenty dollars.

SECTION III. Section 7.32.040 (a) and (b) Impounded animals-Reclamation shall be deleted and replaced with the following new sections:

(a) An owner reclaiming an impounded dog or cat shall pay a board fee of five dollars per day for each day the animal was impounded in addition to any fines due for any violation of this title. The board fee shall increase to ten dollars for each day after the initial five day stray holding period.

(b) An owner reclaiming an impounded animal that is not under the jurisdiction of a governmental entity shall pay, in addition to the board fee of five dollars per day, a fine of fifteen dollars the first time the animal is reclaimed, with the fine increasing by an increment of twenty dollars each subsequent time the animal is reclaimed. In the event the animal is not impounded within the period of twelve consecutive months, the fine for reclamation after that period shall be fifteen dollars, with the fine increasing by an increment of twenty dollars each subsequent time the animal is impounded.

SECTION IV. Severability. If any section, sentence, or provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof, to any person or circumstances shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any of the other sections, sentences, provisions, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

SECTION V. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington and approval by the Mayor and promulgation by law.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of
Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana upon this 23 day of
March, 1994.

Jim Sherman
JIM SHERMAN, President
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:

Patricia Williams
PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe
County, Indiana upon this 24 day of March, 1994.

Patricia Williams
PATRICIA WILLIAMS, Clerk
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 24th day of March,
1994.

Tomilea Allison
TOMILEA ALLISON, Mayor
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This ordinance changes the fee charged for a license for a
neutered or spayed dog or cat. It also raises the fine amounts
charged for "Failure to Restrain" violations, and sets forth
changes in the impoundment board fees and fines charged to an
owner.

Signed copies to:

HT Legal
Animal Shelter
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BMC - HC

Clerk
CA/CA

Monroe County Legal Dept.