

# **Village of Arpin, Wood County, Wisconsin**

## **Ordinance #17**

### **AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF KEEPING ANIMALS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ARPIN, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

#### **SECTION 1 – PURPOSE:**

The Village enacts this ordinance to secure the public peace, health, safety, comfort and general welfare of the community through the proper control and care of animals by their owners and others. The purpose of the ordinance is designed to regulate and limit the keeping, owning and raising of animals within the boundaries of the Village and to provide penalties for the violation of this ordinance and to repeal any ordinance/s or parts of ordinances in conflict.

#### **SECTION 2 – DEFINITION:**

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this ordinance, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

- a. “Fowl” Means domesticated animals (such as chickens, turkeys, ducks or geese) raised for meat or eggs.
- b. “Livestock” means animals used for human food and fiber or animals used for service to human beings. Including, but is not limited, to, cattle, swine, sheep, llamas, goats, bison and horses. Livestock does not include dogs, cats or rabbits.

#### **SECTION 3 – ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE:**

No person having in his possession or ownership any animal or fowl shall allow the same to run at large within the village. The owner of any animal, whether licensed or unlicensed, shall keep his animal tied or enclosed in a proper enclosure so as not to allow said animal to interfere with the passing public or neighbors. Any animal running at large can be seized and impounded by a Village official or law enforcement officer.

#### **SECTION 4 – KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK:**

It shall be unlawful to keep, possess, harbor, shelter or have custody of any livestock, except that same may be kept temporarily during parade or festival periods, when they will be ridden, driven or shown within the Village of Arpin, unless a permit therefore has been obtained from the Village board.

- a. The number of Livestock permitted on a parcel will be at the sole discretion of the Village Board.

#### **SECTION 5 – KEEPING OF FOWL:**

It shall be unlawful to keep, possess, harbor, shelter or have custody of any fowl, except that same may be kept temporarily during parade or festival periods, when they will be shown within the Village of Arpin, unless a permit therefore has been obtained from the Village board.

- a. The number of Fowl permitted on a parcel will be at the sole discretion of the Village Board.
- b. The keeping of up to 12 Chickens, with a permit is allowed on a residential premise only.
- c. Roosters are not allowed.
- d. Fowl must be kept in a coop constructed in a workmanlike manner and be maintained as necessary to ensure a health, odor or other nuisance does not exist.

#### **SECTION 6 – PERMIT:**

A permit shall be issued only upon proof that the keeping of said animals within the Village will not be injurious to the health, welfare and sanitation of the community. The Village Board, in granting such

permit, may attach conditions thereto as it believes will best protect the health, welfare and sanitation of the community.

- a. Any animal enclosure, within 100 feet of an adjoining property owners' residence, will require the adjoining property owners' written approval. Be it further required that the enclosure will not be allowed within 50 feet of where food is prepared, kept or sold.

#### **SECTION 7 – TERM OF PERMIT:**

Written permits issued by the Village can be revoked at any time by the Village Board with cause. A permit that has been revoked for failure to comply with provisions of the ordinance, once revoked, shall not be reissued.

#### **SECTION 8 – PENALTY:**

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall upon conviction, be subject to a forfeiture of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) for each violation, with each day constituting a separate violation, not to exceed 30 days. Fines not paid shall be prosecuted through Wood County Court. All Village costs, legal fees, court costs, etc. will be the responsibility of the animal owner.

#### **SECTION 9 – REPEALER:**

All ordinances of the Village of Arpin, which are in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

#### **SECTION 6 – SEVERABILITY:**

The provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the Village Board would have passed the other provisions, sections, sub sections, paragraphs, clauses or phrases of this Ordinance irrespective of whether one or more of such parts may be declared invalid. If any provision or part of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance and the application of such provision to the other persons or circumstance shall not be affected thereby.

#### **SECTION 7 – EFFECTIVE DATE:**

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force after passage and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this 9<sup>th</sup>, day of 2023

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John Esser, Village President

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Jill Richardson, Clerk/Treasurer

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Date Signed

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Published: Three places, all within the limits of the Village of Arpin as required by State Statutes.

1. Arpin Municipal Building, 6190 County Road N, Arpin, WI
2. Friends and Neighbors, 6120 Mill Road, Arpin, WI
3. Kandy Kane Park, 6252 County Road N, Arpin, WI