

# VILLAGE OF ARPIN WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN

## Ordinance #5

### AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE DOGS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ARPIN, WOOD COUNTY, WISCONSIN

#### SECTION 1 – STATE STATUTES ADOPTED:

The statutory provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to the keeping of dogs in the following enumerated sections of the Wisconsin Statutes are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by any statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this Ordinance. Any future additions, amendments, revisions, or modifications of the current or future statutes incorporated herein are intended to be made part of this Ordinance in order to secure uniform statewide regulation of animals;

174.001	Definitions.
174.01	Restraining action against dogs.
174.02	Owner's liability for damage caused by dog; penalties; court order to kill a dog.
174.042	Dogs running at large and untagged dogs subject to impoundment; penalties.
174.05	Dog license tax.
174.052	Publication of the dog license requirement and rabies vaccination requirement.
174.053	Multiple dog licenses.
174.054	Exemption for owners of dogs kept for educational and scientific purposes.
174.055	Exemption of dogs for blind, deaf and mobility-impaired.
174.056	Dogs for blind, deaf and mobility-impaired admitted to public places.
174.06	Listing.
174.065	Collection.
174.07	Dog licenses and collar tags.
174.08	License fees paid to county treasurer.
174.09	Dog license fund; how disposed of and accounted for.
174.11	Claims for damage by dogs to domestic animals including ranch mink.
174.12	Actions against owners.
174.13	Humane use of dogs for scientific or educational purposes.
174.15	Penalty.

#### SECTION 2 – LICENSING AND REGULATION OF DOGS:

- LICENSING.** Every owner of a dog more than five (5) months of age on January 1 of any year must pay the dog license tax and obtain a license.
  - License Year.** The license year commences on January 1 and ends the following December 31st.
  - License Tax.** License fees are established as follows: Sterilized Dog: \$5.00, Unsterilized Dog \$10.00, Kennel License (4 or more dogs) \$35.00.
  - Late Fee Penalty.** A late fee of \$25.00 will be accessed if the owner fails to obtain a license prior to April 1 of each year or within thirty (30) days of acquiring ownership of a licensable dog.
  - Rabies Shots Required.** No dog license shall be issued unless the dog has received a rabies vaccination as required by law, and the owner has provided the Village with adequate proof thereof.

## **2. NUMBER OF DOGS LIMITED.**

- a. No dog kennel built for or intended for the breeding, selling or housing of more than four (4) dogs shall be established or maintained within the Village of Arpin.
- b. No more than three (3) dogs subject to be licensed shall be kept on any premises within the Village unless the owner or keeper of the dogs has obtained a Kennel License permit.
  - i. An inspection will be conducted by the animal control officer or Village Board and finding that no nuisance will be created, may at the Board's discretion, issue a Kennel License authorizing the keeping of more than three (3) dogs within the Village.
  - ii. The Village board will have authority to revoke such permit for cause or reason.

## **3. DISTURBING THE PEACE.** It shall be unlawful for any person within the Village of Arpin to own, harbor or keep any dog which:

- a. Habitually pursues any vehicles upon any public street, alley or highway in the Village.
- b. Assaults, attacks or threatens any person.
- c. Is at large within the limits of the Village.
- d. Habitually barks or howls to the annoyance of any person or persons.
- e. Kills, wounds or worries any domestic animal.
- f. Is known by such person to be infected with rabies or to have been bitten by an animal known to have been infected with rabies.

Any animal determined as violating Section 2(3) can be impounded and/or removed with the approval of the Village Board.

## **SECTION 3 – DUTY OF OWNER IN CASES OF DOG BITE:**

Every owner or person harboring or keeping a dog who knows that such dog has bitten any person shall immediately report such fact to the Village and shall keep such dog confined for not less than 14 days or for such period of time as the Village shall direct. The owner or keeper of any such dog shall surrender the dog to the Village upon demand for examination.

## **SECTION 4 – IMPOUNDING OR KILLING OF DOGS:**

In addition to any penalty hereinafter provided for a violation of this section, any person may impound any dog and any police officer of the courts or state may kill any dog which habitually pursues any vehicle upon any street, alley or highway of this Village, assaults or attacks or threatens any person, is at large within the Village, habitually barks or howls, kills, wounds or worries any domestic animal or is infected with rabies. Possession of dogs impounded under this section may be obtained by paying all fees incurred by the Village for impoundment. Dogs impounded for a period of seven (7) days shall be destroyed by or under the direction of the Village in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes #174.02.

## **SECTION 5 – PENALTY:**

The Village will give anyone who shall violate any provision of this ordinance a written warning. If a second offense occurs anytime after 30 days of the written warning, a \$20.00 fine shall be imposed, 30 days after that, a \$50.00 fine and 30 days after that a \$100.00 fine and it shall remain at \$100.00 for each 30 days after that. Fines not paid shall be prosecuted through Wood County Court. All Village costs, legal fees, court costs, etc. will be the responsibility of the dog owner.

## **SECTION 6 – REPEALER:**

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

## **SECTION 7 – SEVERALITY:**

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, subsections, 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 other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

**SECTION 8 – EFFECTIVE DATE:**

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

Adopted this 14th, day of June 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