

ORDINANCE NO. 67-1A

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE KEEPING
OF DOGS BY ANY OWNER OR KEEPER AND
THE IMPOUNDING OF ANY DOG OR DOGS
RUNNING AT LARGE.

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Chatham, Chatham, Illinois, deems it desirable to avoid the continuance of dogs and dog packs running at large and to prevent injury to persons who may be bitten or otherwise injured by dogs or dog packs, and,

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the public welfare that such conditions which are detrimental to health or decency, sanitation and protection of the people be advanced relative thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Chatham, Sangamon County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Dog. "Dog", whenever used in this article shall include a female as well as a male dog.

At large. "At large" as applied to dogs shall be held to mean such as are not confined or restrained by means of a secure enclosure or leash.

Packs. "Packs" as applied to dogs shall be held to mean five or more gathered, running or moving together in a group.

Section 2. Dogs to be vaccinated and to have name tags affixed to collars.

(a) Every owner or keeper of any dog over three months of age shall cause said dog to receive Rabies vaccine once each year and shall cause said dog to have about its neck a collar with a tag attached thereto, evidencing such vaccination.

(b) Every owner or keeper of a dog shall cause said dog to have about its neck a collar and shall affix thereto a metallic or other

suitable tag inscribed with the name, address and phone number, if any, of the owner or keeper of said dog.

Section 3. Dogs on school yards at certain times prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any dog to be on any public school grounds between the hours of 7:00 A. M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday of each week; any dog on any public school grounds at the times mentioned herein is declared to be a nuisance and shall be taken up and impounded and may be redeemed or destroyed as provided by this Article; any owner or keeper of a dog who fails to keep his dog off any school grounds shall be penalized as provided herein.

Section 4. Any dog gathering in a dog pack as defined in Section 1 of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be a nuisance and shall be taken up and impounded and may be redeemed or destroyed as provided by this Ordinance; and any owner or keeper of any dog whose said dog shall be found to be in a dog pack shall be punished as provided herein.

Section 5. "Running at large" of certain dogs prohibited.

Any dog which shall have bitten or otherwise injured any person so as to cause an abrasion of the skin shall thereafter be securely confined or leashed in such manner as to prevent the biting of any person or animal.

Section 6. Vaccination to be performed by licensed veterinarian; issuance of certificate.

The vaccination of dogs as required by the preceding section shall be performed by a veterinarian duly licensed to practice his profession in this state. Upon performing such vaccination, such veterinarian shall issue to the owner or keeper a certificate showing such fact and shall also deliver to such owner or keeper a metallic or other suitable tag to be attached to the collar of such dog.

Section 7. Duration of vaccination.

The vaccination performed under the provisions of this

of the preceding Section shall be effective until the expiration of the calendar year in which the vaccination was performed.

Section 8. The tag issued under the provisions of Section 6 of this Ordinance shall be inscribed with the words "Received Rabies Vaccine", followed by the year such vaccination was performed. The form and appearance of the tag shall conform, for each calendar year, to the requirements specified by the superintendent of health.

Section 9. At any reasonable time upon request of any member of the police department the owner or keeper of any unmuzzled dog shall exhibit his certificate, issued under the provisions of Section 6 of this Ordinance, showing the vaccination of any dog owned or controlled by him.

Section 10. It shall be the duty of such employees and officers of the police department as shall be designated for that purpose by the chief of police to take up and impound, in such place as may be designated and set apart for that purpose, any dog found running at large in the city contrary to any of the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 11. In case of impounding, and where the address of the owner or keeper of any such dog is disclosed by any tax or license tag worn by it, or is otherwise known to the officers impounding the same, the police department shall at once give notice by mail to such owner or keeper, informing him of the impounding of his dog.

Section 12. Whenever in this Ordinance the doing of any act is required or the failure to do any act is declared to be unlawful where no specific penalty is provided therefor, such failure or violation by any owner or keeper of a dog who so violates or fails to comply with the provision of this Ordinance, shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$200.00. Each day any violation of any provision of this Ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

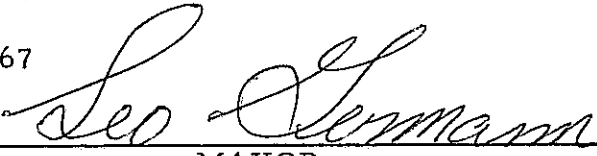
Section 13. Any Ordinance or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith is and are hereby repealed.

Section 14. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and thirty (30) days after its publication.

PASSED: June 15, A. D. 1967

APPROVED: June 15, A. D. 1967

PUBLISHED: June 22, A. D. 1967


MAYOR

ATTEST:


VILLAGE CLERK