AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6.04 OF THE CONWAY MUNICIPAL CODE

Section 1: From and after the passage of this Ordinance Chapter 6.04 of the Conway Municipal Code and the respective hereinafter set forth provisions of said Code shall be amended as follows:

6.04.01: The following definition is to be added
(d) LICENSE- As used herein shall mean a current City of Conway dog tag.

6.04.03: Confinement of Dogs. Within thirty (30) days from and after the passage and approval of this ordinance, any person owning, possession, or keeping a dog or dogs, shall confine such a dog or dogs within an adequate fence or enclosure, or within a house, garage, or other building, or shall confine such dog or dogs by a rope, chain or leash affixed to the dog’s collar and attached to some substantial stationary object adequate to prevent the dog or dogs from running at large (Ord. No. A-442, Sec.3)

6.04.05 A: All dogs whose owner resides in the City of Conway shall have a current city dog tag in addition to a current rabies tag and/or rabies certificate. The certificate of vaccination must be presented to the Animal Shelter personnel in order to purchase a city dog tag. This city dog tag will be valid for a period from January 1 to December 31 of the same year. All City dog tags will be renewed during the month of December prior to said tags expiration date. All tags purchased after June 31 will be one half the regular cost. The regular cost of said city dog tag will be $2.00.

(1) An additional penalty of $10.00 shall be assessed to the party reclaiming such unlicensed dog if this party is a resident of Conway. Resident status will be indicated by claiming party’s valid driver’s license address. The burden of proof to establish the correct address if the driver’s license address is incorrect will be on the reclaiming party.

(2) All dogs adopted through the Animal Shelter will have a current city dog tag in addition to a current rabies certificate. The fee for these license will be paid in full before the dog is released from the Animal Shelter to the adopting party.

6.04.07 Reclaiming dogs: Any person owning, possessing or keeping a dog which has been allowed to run at large and which has been impounded may claim and retrieve such dog from the city animal shelter by payment of a fee of Five ($5.00) Dollars for the day on which the dog is taken into custody plus an impoundment fee of Two Dollars Fifty Cents ($2.50) for each subsequent day or part of a day that the dog remains in custody if the dog has been vaccinated against rabies within eleven (11) months immediately preceding such impounding and is currently licensed as required by law, but if the dog has not been vaccinated against rabies within the immediately preceding twelve (12) months and/or is not currently licensed the dog may be retrieved by its owner when it has been so vaccinated and/or is currently licensed, as applicable, and upon payment of the aforesaid fees. The burden of proof as to vaccination and licensing shall be upon the party attempting to claim the dog from the animal control worker under this ordinance. Any person claiming
unvaccinated and unlicensed dogs shall, after the payment of the fee assessed herein, and prior to the release of the dog, cause said dog to be vaccinated and licensed in accordance with ordinances of said city then in force, and the cost or expense of such vaccination and license fee shall be paid by the party reclaiming such dog and shall be in addition to the fees hereinabove set out.

The animal control worker shall keep complete and accurate records of all dog or dogs impounded and should an owner's dog or dogs be impounded a second time then in such event the animal control worker, prior to releasing said owners dog or dogs shall require a fee of $10.00 to be paid by such owner, possessor or keeper of said dog or dogs in lieu of the fees hereinafter set out. Upon each subsequent impoundment of said owners dog or dogs the animal control worker shall not release said dog or dogs until the owner, possessor or keeper thereof shall have paid a fee of Twenty Five Dollars ($25.00)

Section 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances that conflict herewith are hereby specifically repealed.

Section 3: It being necessary for the protection of the public an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon and after its passage.

PASSED: This 8 day of March, 1977.

APPROVED:

Jim A. Hoggard, Mayor

ATTEST:

Doris Nunn, Clerk-Treasurer