City of Conway, Arkansas
Ordinance No. O-11-46

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. O-04-60, THE “ANIMAL CONTROL” ORDINANCE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; REPEALING ANY ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT;

WHEREAS, the Conway Animal Welfare Unit desires to amend Title 6 of the Conway Municipal Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1. Title 6 of the Conway Municipal Code shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 6.04.04 Impoundment

D. Upon payment of the following adoption fees;

1. Fifty ($50.00) for an altered dog or cat

(Or)

2. Twenty-Five ($25.00) for an unaltered dog or cat in addition to a spay/neutering fee, (such fee shall be determined by the veterinarian selected to perform the alteration and paid directly to the veterinarian)

(And)

3. Upon expiration of the aforementioned five (5) business day period:

Title of any animal not claimed may be transferred to another party, with the exception of the owner or owner’s representative, subject to the licensing and vaccination requirements set out in this ordinance.

Upon payment of the adoption and altering fees, sterilization shall be performed within thirty (30) days. The Animal Welfare Unit may grant an extension of time not to exceed thirty (30) additional days upon the request of the owner, unless in the opinion of a veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the state of Arkansas, the animal is medically compromised to the extent that such sterilization should not be performed at such time. The signed agreement to have the animal altered shall be binding. Failure to comply shall constitute a violation of this section. In such cases, the animal described therein shall be returned to the Animal Welfare Unit upon request and ownership of the animal shall revert back to the Animal Welfare Unit. No claim may be made by the owner to recover expenses incurred for maintenance of the animal including the initial procurement cost. In addition, all dogs and cats adopted shall be micro-chipped prior to being released. The expense of micro-chipping is included at no additional charge.
4. Adoption fees on altered animals shall be equally dispersed, $25.00 into the City of Conway operating account (001-127-4170) and $25.00 into the Animal Welfare Spay and Neuter account (223-127-4170).

SECTION 2. That any ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of that conflict.

SECTION 3. This ordinance is necessary for the protection of the public peace, health and safety and an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this 14th day of June 2011.

Approved:

Mayor Tab Townsell

Attest:

Michael O. Garrett
City Clerk/Treasurer