

VILLAGE OF MT. AUBURN

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 2-1-8 and 2-1-11
OF THE MT. AUBURN VILLAGE CODE**

**RE: (2-1-8) Impoundment of Dogs Running at Large or Unlicensed Dogs;
Citation of Owner or Keeper
and
(2-1-11) Impoundment of Dogs which Have Bitten Persons**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MT. AUBURN, CHRISTIAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

VILLAGE CODE SECTION 2-1-8 and 2-1-11 are hereby amended as follows:

2-1-8. IMPOUNDMENT OF DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE OR UNLICENSED DOGS; CITATION OF OWNER OR KEEPER.

(A) It shall be the duty of such employees (including dog catcher(s)) and officers of the Police Department as shall be designated for that purpose by the Chief of Police to take to the County Animal Control Center any dog running at large or unlicensed in the Village, contrary to any of the provisions of this Chapter or Other code of the City.

(B) When dog(s) are apprehended and impounded the Administrator shall make every reasonable attempt to contact the "Owner" (as defined by Section 2-1-1 of the Village Code) as soon as possible.

(C) When Dogs are found running "At Large" or unlicensed and their ownership is known to the designated employees, such dog may be impounded at the discretion of such employees, but the employees may cite the owner of such dog to answer charges of violation of this chapter.

2-1-11. IMPOUNDMENT OF DOGS WHICH HAVE BITTEN PERSONS.

(A) Any dog which shall have bitten or otherwise injured any person so as to cause an abrasion of the skin shall be immediately quarantined from other dogs for 10 days. If the owner of the dog(s) is/are known, it is the owner's responsibility to take the dog immediately to a veterinarian's office, wherein said dog shall be checked for rabies. In the event that the owner cannot show that the dog(s) are current on all its shots, then said dog(s) shall be detained at the veterinarian's office for 10 days. If the owner can prove that on the date in question, the dog(s) shots are up to date, said dog can be quarantined at the owner's home for the 10 days. On the 10th date, the dog is to be retested by said veterinarian.

(B) If at the expiration of the 10 days, no symptoms of rabies have developed in such dog(s) so quarantined, the same may be redeemed by the owner upon payment of the redemption fees and charges specified by this Chapter; provided however, that in case any dog so impounded for biting a person shall have previously bitten or otherwise injured any person, the owner or keeper thereof shall not under any circumstances, permit such animal to be at large unless securely muzzled.

(C) If, during the period of quarantine, such dog develops symptoms of illness, a veterinarian shall be called to diagnose its condition. If the symptoms disclose are such as to indicate the presence of rabies, such dog shall be destroyed, in such a manner, however, as to preserve intact the head, which shall thereupon be detached and immediately sent to the diagnostic laboratory of the Department of Agriculture.

(D) In case such dog cannot be safely taken up and impounded, it may be shot, care being taken to preserve the head intact which shall thereupon be immediately detached and be delivered to the diagnostic laboratory of the Department of Agriculture.

SECTION 3: EFFECT DATE

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2017 pursuant to roll call vote as follows:

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

Brent Milburn, Village Mayor

ATTEST:

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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

OF THE

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THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2017