

First Reading: October 14, 2014
Second Reading: November 19, 2014
Third Reading: December 17, 2014

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF JACKSONVILLE, ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO PROHIBITING ANIMALS AT LARGE.

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Jacksonville, Athens County, Ohio, upon request by the residences of the Village, has determined that the Village consists of loud, habitual and unattended to animals that can cause serious annoyance or disturbance to the residents of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council finds that adopting an Animal at Large ordinance is in the interests of the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Jacksonville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE OF JACKSONVILLE, ATHENS COUNTY, OHIO AS FOLLOWS:

Animals at Large.

Section A. No person, being the owner of any animal or fowl, excepting unleashed domestic cat(s), or harboring or having charge or control of the same, shall permit such animal or fowl to run at large in any street, lane, alley, market space or public ground, or shall permit such animal or fowl to go upon or enter any private yard, lot or enclosure, without consent of the owner of such yard, lot or enclosure.

Section B. For purposes of this section, it shall be unlawful for any owner, harborer, or person in charge of any dog to take or allow said dog to go onto public property or in a public place without being on a leash.

Section C. No person, being the owner, harborer or having charge or control of a dog shall permit such dog to cause physical harm to any person. For purposes of this section, "physical harm" shall mean any injury or other physiological impairment regardless of its gravity or duration, provided that no person engaged in illegal activity shall be protected under this section.

Section D. The owner, harborer, or person having charge of any animal or fowl, excepting unleashed domestic cat(s), shall have in their possession necessary implements to remove any excrement or objectionable wastes deposited on public or private property other than their own within the municipality or in any area under the jurisdiction of the municipality, and shall remove such excrement immediately.

Section E. The mayor shall supply village employees, police officers, and dog warden with citation tickets for the purpose of notice to persons violating Section (A), (B), or (D). The notice may be given by delivering such ticket to the violator or by affixing it to the dwelling unit housing said violator. The penalty for violation Section (A), (B), or (D), shall be \$20.00 for the first offense; \$30.00 for the second offense; and \$40.00 for the third offense, and subsequent offenses shall be charged as a minor misdemeanor. Whoever violates Section (C) shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a minor misdemeanor as defined in Section 2929.21 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Loud Dog

It shall be unlawful for any person to harbor or keep a dog which by loud and frequent or habitual barking, howling or yelping, shall cause annoyance or disturbance to the neighborhood.

Harboring Animals deemed a Nuisance.

Section A. No person shall permit any animal or fowl to be kept in any yard, pen, sty, or stationary or moving vehicle, or in any other place which is unclean, unsanitary or productive of offensive odors.

Section B. No person shall permit or suffer any animal or fowl harbored by him to become noisy so as to cause disturbance of the peace and quiet of the neighborhood.

PASSED this 17th day of December, 2014.

VILLAGE OF JACKSONVILLE:

By: _____
Mayor

President Pro Tem of Council

ATTEST/SEAL:

Clerk - Treasurer/Fiscal Officer

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK/FISCAL OFFICER

The foregoing is a true copy of the original Ordinance #_____.

Publication of this Ordinance was made by posting a copy of the same in the following five (5) locations within the Village, beginning on _____, 2014, and concluding on _____, 2014 (at least 15 days later):

- Post Office _____
- Eagles Club _____
- VFW _____
- Town Hall _____
- Jerry's Bar _____

ATTEST:

DATE: _____

Village Fiscal Officer/Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Chris Downs, Clerk for the Village of Jacksonville, Athens County, Ohio, certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Jacksonville, and appears in the Village records as Ordinance No. _____

ATTEST:

DATE

Village Fiscal Officer