

**ORDINANCE 2011-01**  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 6.14, SUBD. 11, LICENSE REQUIREMENTS BY REQUIRING THAT THE LICENSE TAGS BE ATTACHED TO A COLLAR ESTABLISHING A LIFETIME LICENSE FEE; AND ADDING SUBDIVISION 13 BITING DOGS TO BE QUARANTINES, SUBD. 14, ANIMALS DEEMED DANGEROUS AND SUBD. 15, NUISANCNE ANIMALS**

The City Council of the City of Trimont hereby ordains:

Section 1. Trimont City Code, Section 6.14, Subd 11 is amended to read as follows:

**LICENSE REQUIREMENT.** No person shall keep any dog or cat within the City of Trimont without first securing a license therefrom from the City Clerk who shall keep a record of all licenses and shall issue a metal tag for each license. The tag when obtained must be securely fastened to the animal's collar at all times. The Council shall establish a one time lifetime license fee for all dogs and cats, which fee may be set from time to time by resolution of the City Council.

Section 2. The following subdivisions shall be added to Section 6.14 of the Trimont City Code to read as follows:

Section 6.14

Subd. 13. Biting Dogs to be Quarantined. Whenever any dog has bitten a person, the owner after being notified, shall immediately surrender such animal to be quarantined in pound for a period of 14 days after the occurrence. All pound fees incurred during the quarantine will be paid by the owner before the animal will be released. Upon reasonable suspicion that the dog may be rabid, the dog shall be subjected to necessary tests by a doctor of veterinary medicine for the purpose of determining if it is infected with rabies, all at the expense of the owner.

Subd. 14. Animals Deemed Dangerous. After quarantine, if the dog is determined to be free from rabies, the owner may reclaim the animal after all fees are paid. If, upon investigating, the bite is determined to be unprovoked, the dog will be deemed a dangerous animal. The owner of such animal will provide proof of liability insurance for the animal in the minimum amount of \$200,000. Proof of insurance will be required

before the animal will be released from quarantine.

Subd. 15. Nuisance Animal. Any animal that is at large or generates three repeated complaints of barking within a 3 month period may be deemed a nuisance. The City Council after being advised by the police of the number of times a complaint is received on the same animal for the same violation may request the owner of the animal to dispose of the animal. If the owner declines to comply with the Council's request, the Council will notify the owner in writing of the following:

- A. The date and times of the violations for the last three months;
- B. The nature of the violation;
- C. The number of warnings for the violation;
- D. The number of citations issued for the violation;
- E. The owner shall be notified that if another violation occurs the Council may send a letter with the citation requesting the court to order the animal removed from the City.

Thomas Eckmann

Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Flohrs

City Clerk

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