

**ORDINANCE OF THE LAPORTE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
NO. 2015-~~04~~ 05**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND REGULATIONS AND FEES OF DOMESTIC  
ANIMALS**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to amend Ordinance 2004-09 concerning the regulation of domestic animals regarding the resetting of fees; and

**WHEREAS**, such Ordinance should be amended regarding an adoption fee; a large and small animal adoption fee; daily quarantine fee; and general animal care requirements;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it ordained by the Board of Commissioners of LaPorte County that:

**SECTION I:** Ordinance 2004-09, amending regulations and fees of domestic animals, which amended Ordinance 2001-04, is now amended as follows:

**SECTION 6-C** is amended from Sixty-Five Dollars (\$65.00) to One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for Dogs and Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) for Cats. Neuter/spay fee for both dogs and cats will remain at Thirty Dollars (\$30.00)

**SECTION 6-F** is added to the original Ordinance 2001-04. This section adds an adoption fee for smaller animals, aside from Dogs and Cats, for example, Rabbits, Guinea Pigs, and Birds. The adoption fee for these smaller animals will be Twenty Dollars (\$20.00).

**SECTION 6-G** is added to the original Ordinance 2001-04. This section adds an adoption fee for larger animals, aside from Dogs and Cats, for example, Horses, Miniature Ponies, Goats, and Sheep. The adoption fee for these larger animals will be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

**SECTION 7-F** is amended to increase the daily quarantine fee for smaller animals of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per day to Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per day. There will be a daily quarantine fee of Twenty-Five Dollars per day for larger animals, such as, Horses. This charge will be applied to the owner until such time the animal is released to the owner or disposed of.

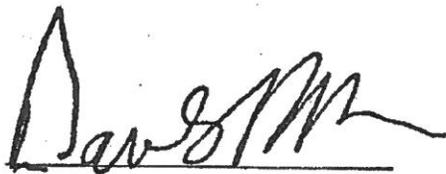
**SECTION 11-C** is amended to eliminate the language of topography of the land for protection against the elements. This section now reads: Has adequate protection from the elements and weather conditions suitable for the age, species and physical condition of the animal so as to maintain the animal in a state of good health. Shelter for livestock includes an actual structure that provides protection from the elements.

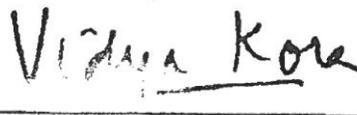
**SECTION 11-C (2)** is amended to add the language that if the temperature is below Ten (10) Degrees Fahrenheit a Dog or Cat shall not be outdoors.

**SECTION II:** That this Ordinance shall take effect after its publication and passage as prescribed by law.

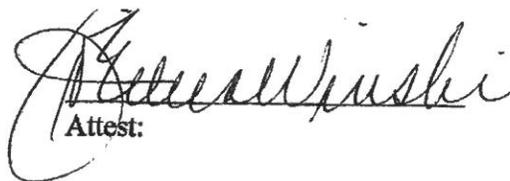
**SECTION III:** That all Ordinances or parts of Ordinance not in conflict with the amendment in these provisions contained herein shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015.

  
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