GREENSBORO BOROUGH ORDINANCE NUMBER 2015-7

DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GREENSBORO, GREENE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, THIS ORDINANCE TO BE KNOWN AS THE DOG ORDINANCE, DEALING WITH THE CONTROL OF DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS, AND PROVIDING THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS.

THE BOROUGH OF GREENSBORO, GREENE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, HEREBY ENACTS THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION 1: Dogs and animals running at large prohibited:

No person having in his/her control or custody of a dog or any other domestic or non-domesticated animal, excluding cats, shall allow such animals to run at large in the <u>Borough of Greensboro</u> and upon public streets or highways or upon lands of any person other than the person having the control and custody of such animal. All animals, excluding cats, in the Borough must be on a leash, and/or be properly secured and be licensed by the proper agency.

SECTION 2: Loud noise prohibited.

No person who has in his/her control or custody any dog or other domestic or non-domesticated animal shall allow or permit such animal consistently and habitually to make loud, harsh noises to the extent that it shall disturb or interfere with the peace, quiet, rest or sleep of other persons. Any dog, or other domestic or non-domesticated animal which be frequent and habitual barking, howling, screeching, yelping, or baying, or in any way or manner disturbs the quiet of the residents of the community, or which disturbs or endangers the comfort, repose or health of persons, is hereby declared to be committing a nuisance. No owner or person having custody of such animal shall harbor it or permit it to commit such a nuisance.

SECTION 3: Defiling of public property prohibited

Any person having the control and custody of any dog or other domestic or non-domesticated animal, excluding cats, shall not allow such animal to defecate, befoul, defile or corrupt any property other than that of its owner. The owner or person in charge or control of such animal shall immediately remove all feces deposited by such animal and dispose of the same in a sanitary manner, to be properly wrapped, packaged or protected as to prevent unsightly disposal, smell or interference with the health and welfare of the community and to be deposited in the owner's garbage or a public garbage disposal unit. Any person owning or in control of an animal must carry proper sanitary devices when walking that animal.

SECTION 4: Keeping dogs and animals in the Borough.

- A. No person shall keep in their possession at any time more dogs or domestic or non-domesticated animals than they can reasonably care for. All animals, excluding cats, must be kept on a leash, or in an enclosed fenced in area, and be in an adequate size cage for the animal, or animals in confinement. No person having an animal in his/her control or custody shall permit that animal to be without food or water or to default in cleanup of feces from animals excluding cats from property other than that of its owner.
- B. Any person who owns, harbors or is in charge of any dog or domestic or non-domesticated animal, excluding cats, within or frequenting the Borough shall not permit such animal to be unattended within the Borough and shall require said animal to be restrained by a leash or other appropriate device of control so that it cannot stray beyond the premises on which it is secured, or under reasonable control of some person.

SECTION 5: Violations and penalties.

This Ordinance regulates use, health, public safety, air or noise pollution, and shall be enforced pursuant to The Borough Code, Section 3321, et seq.

Enforcement thereof shall be by an action before a District Judge in the same manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure. The Borough Solicitor may assume charge of the prosecution without the consent of the District Attorney. The Borough Council hereby sets a criminal fine not to exceed One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars per violation, and the costs of prosecution, including attorney's fees. In the event a District Judge determines the offender to be in default of payment of such fine and costs of prosecution, said offender may be sentenced to imprisonment of not more than ten (10) days.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED AS AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF GREENSBORO BOROUGH, on this 18th day of August, 2015

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF GREENSBORO, GREENE COUNTY

ATTEST:

ne A. Descutner, Secretary-Treasurer

President

Mayor