## Resolution # 59-2018 GENERAL CODE OF ONEIDA COUNTY, WISCONSIN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT # 59-2018

Ordinance amendment to increase dog license fees

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## Ordinance Amendment offered by the Administration Committee

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WHEREAS, Oneida County has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Oneida County to contract with the Oneida County Humane Society for purposes of operating a stray hold facility for animals in Oneida County;

WHEREAS, as part of contracting with the Oneida County Humane Society for services it has been recommended that the County increase the license fee for dogs in Oneida County: and

WHEREAS, the proposed increase in dog license fees is from \$3.00 to \$5.00 for spayed/neutered dogs and \$8.00 to \$15.00 for unneutered or unsprayed dogs; and

WHEREAS, the increase in dog license fees will help to offset the contract costs with the Oneida County Humane Society.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE ONEIDA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Any existing ordinances, codes, resolutions, or portions thereof in conflict with this ordinance shall be and hereby are repealed as far as any conflict exists.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect the day after passage and publication as required by law.

Section 3. If any claims, provisions or portions of this ordinance are adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4. Section 23.06 & 23.07 of the General Code of Oneida County, Wisconsin, is amended as follows [additions noted by underline, deletions noted by strikethrough]:

## 23.06 PROGRAM EXPENDITURES SUPPORTED BY LICENSE FEES.

Dog License Taxes: The dog license taxes paid to the County Treasurer shall be kept in a separate account and shall be known as the "Dog License Fund", which shall be appropriated and disbursed for the purposes and in the manner following:

(a) Within 30 days after receipt of the same, the County Treasurer shall pay to the State Treasury five percent (5%) of the minimum tax provided for under section 174.05(2), Wisconsin Statutes, of all dog license taxes.

(b) Expenses necessarily incurred by the County in purchasing books, forms and other supplies required in the administering of the dog license law.

Expenses incurred by the County under section 95.21(4)(b) and (8) Wisconsin Statutes. Claims: Any amount remaining in the fund after deducting the above expenses shall be made available for and may be used as far as necessary for paying claims allowed by the County to the owners of domestic animals, for damages done by dogs during the license year for which taxes were paid. These claims are limited to One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per incident. In addition, NO claim shall be paid to any person who has failed to obtain a license for a dog that is required to be licensed.

Surplus Funds: Any amounts left in the "Dog License Fund" after the payment of claims shall be distributed to the Town's pursuant to the mandates of Wis. Stat. s. 174.06, 174.07 and 174.09, and pursuant to any amendment thereto. If the county has contracted with an entity to act as the pound facility for the County, the funds shall then be disbursed pursuant to Wis.

Stat. s. 174.09(2) to that facility and not to the Towns as described above.

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4. Liability: All claims filed under paragraph (2) above, shall be solely against the dog license fund and shall not create any other liability on the part of the County.

## 23.07 DOG LICENSE

1. Dog License: Except as provided in Section 174.054, Wisconsin Statutes, the owner of a dog more than five (5) months of age on January 1st of any year or 5 months of age within the license year shall annually on or before the date the dog becomes five (5) months of age pay the dog license tax as provided in Section 174.05, Wisconsin Statutes of \$5.00 for neutered/spayed dogs and \$15.00 for intact dogs, and obtain a dog license. Any license-eligible dog obtained during the license period or brought into the County must be licensed within thirty (30) days of obtaining the animal or bringing the animal into the County. The license year commences on January 1st and ends on the following December 31st. Proof of rabies vaccination in the form of a signed certificate from a veterinarian (See Section E below) shall be presented at the time of licensing to the city, village, Town Treasurer or Clerk issuing the license pursuant to Section 174.05 and 174.07, Wisconsin Statutes. The licensing person shall prepare a report to the County Clerk as prescribed in Section 174.08, Wisconsin Statutes.

[The remainder of 23.07 remains unchanged]

Consent Agenda Item:YES	NO	
Vote Required: Majority =	2/3 Majority = ¾ Majority =	
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Offered and passage moved by:	Supervisor Ved Charleton	
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by the County E	Board of Supervisors t	thisday of	, 2018.
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