

Ordinance

No. 18-2018

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 91, ANIMALS, ARTICLE I: LICENSING OF DOGS AND CATS OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WESTVILLE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Westville, County of Gloucester, and State of New Jersey that the Governing Body does hereby amend Chapter 91, Animals, Article I: Licensing of Dogs and Cats of the Code of the Borough of Westville entitled as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 91: Animals, Article 1: Licensing of Dogs and Cats, Section 91-1 Definitions, is hereby amended to include the following new definition:

BOROUGH OFFICIAL: Any Borough Code Enforcement Official, Borough Police Department Officer, Gloucester County Animal Control Officer, the Municipal or Deputy Clerk, or any other official or person assigned or designated by Mayor and Council

Section 2. Chapter 91: Animals, Article I: Licensing of Dogs and Cats, Section 91-14, Appointment of an Animal Control Officer, duties are hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

91-14 Enforcement

- A. The Borough Official shall enforce the provisions of this Article. Nothing herein shall prohibit a private citizen from bringing or signing a complaint for an alleged violation of this Article.
- B. **Animal Cruelty Investigations.** Gloucester County Animal Control Officers (GCACO), or other designee, may investigate, and/or require compliance for violations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:22. In the event the GCACO, or designee sees, or recognizes a potential violation of law, or the need arises where an investigation is warranted; then the GCACO shall report said matter to the Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer for further action. The GCACO may continue to participate in the investigation as requested or required.

Section 3. Repealer.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

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Section 4. Severability.

Each section of this Ordinance is an independent section, and the holding of any section or part thereof to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective, shall not be deemed to affect the validity or constitutionality of any other sections or parts thereof.

Section 5. Effective date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption by the Governing Body of the Borough of Westville and any publication as may be required by law.

Introduced: September 12, 2018

Adopted: October 10, 2018

BOROUGH OF WESTVILLE

Russell W. Welsh, Jr.

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