

WEST AMWELL TOWNSHIP

Ordinance 8, 2012

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 75 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST AMWELL (Dogs and Other Animals)

BE IT ORDAINED, that Chapter 75 is hereby amended and/or supplemented as follows:

Section 1:

§75-2. License fees; renewals; additional charge.

§75-2C is hereby deleted and replaced with the following: "For any license not renewed in the month of January there shall be an additional late fee of \$25.00 per dog."

§75-8. Violations and penalties.

Delete current paragraph and replace with:

Violation of Sections 75-1, 75-3, and 75-6 shall be \$40 for first offense; \$75-\$100 for second offense; \$150-\$1250 for subsequent offenses

Violation of Sections 75-4 and 75-7 shall be \$75 - \$1,250

§75-9. Statutory authority.

This article is adopted pursuant to P.L. 1941, c 151 (N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.1 et seq) and amendments and supplements thereto.

§75-12. Violations and penalties.

This section is hereby deleted.

Section 2:

An ARTICLE III is hereby added to Chapter 75 entitled **Enforcement.**

§75-12. Access to property.

Any officer or agent authorized or empowered to perform any duty under this ordinance is hereby authorized to go upon any premises to seize for impounding any dog or dogs which he may lawfully seize and impound when such officer is in immediate pursuit of such dog or dogs, except upon the premises of the owner of the dog if said owner is present and forbids the same. (N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.17)

§75-13. Interference with performance of duties

No person shall hinder, molest or interfere with anyone authorized or empowered to perform any duty under this ordinance

§75-14. Violations and penalties.

Except as set forth in N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.19, or 75-8 above, any person, firm or corporation violating any provisions of this article shall, upon conviction be subject to a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$1,250, a term of imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days, or any combination thereof.

Section 3: Adoption

Upon adoption, this Ordinance will be incorporated into and become part of the Code of the Township of West Amwell.

Section 4: Repealer

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication according to the laws of the State of New Jersey.

APPROVED BY TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

George A. Fisher, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lora L. Olsen, RMC
Township Clerk

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of West Amwell, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, held on March 28, 2012. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held in the municipal building, 150 Rocktown-Lamb. Rd., Lambertville NJ on April 25, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. All interested parties will be heard at this time.