

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO)  
DOG CONTROL, PROVIDING PENALTIES, )  
AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NOS. 518, )  
1119, 1145, and 1212. )

ORDINANCE BILL NO. 35  
for 1967  
ORDINANCE NO. 1266

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LEBANON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Control of Dogs.

(1) No person owning or having the control, custody or possession of a dog shall allow the dog to run at large.

(2) "To run at large" means to be off the premises of the owner or person having the control, custody, or possession of the dog while the dog is not under the complete control of the owner or such person by adequate leash.

(3) A dog running at large may be impounded by a police officer of the city.

Section 2. Rabid Dogs.

(1) Any person in charge of a dog that he knows or has a reason to believe is rabid, or that he knows has been bitten by an animal that he knows or has reason to believe is rabid, shall immediately notify a police officer of the city to impound the dog. The officer shall promptly impound the dog.

Section 3. Dog Licenses.

(1) No person shall own or have charge of a dog that is not licensed in accordance with the laws of the state.

(2) A dog not so licensed may be impounded and shall not be released until so licensed.

Section 4. Dogs Which are Nuisances.

(1) No person owning or having the control, custody or possession of a dog shall allow the dog to be a nuisance.

(2) A dog is a nuisance if it:

- (a) trespasses on private property;
- (b) disturbs any person by frequent or long-continued noise;
- (c) injures or kills any animal, or damages or destroys any other property, not owned or possessed by the person in charge of the dog;
- (d) bites a person, or shows a propensity to do so; or
- (e) habitually chases one or more vehicles or one or more persons.

(3) A dog that is a nuisance may be impounded by a police officer of the city.

Section 5. Impoundment and Redemption.

(1) If a dog is impounded by authority of this ordinance, the chief of police shall promptly:

(a) post notice of the impoundment at the city hall for five consecutive days; and

(b) if the owner of the dog is known, send him notice of the impoundment.

(2) If the owner does not redeem the dog within five days after he receives the notice or within five days after it is so posted, the chief of police may dispose of the dog in whatever humane manner he deems proper.

(3) The redemption fee for a dog impounded by authority of this ordinance for the first time shall be \$5.00 and for a dog so impounded more than once shall be not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$25.00, as determined by the municipal judge.

Section 6. Killing of Certain Dogs. A dog may be summarily killed by any person in case the dog constitutes an imminent threat to human life.

Section 7. Violation. Violation of this ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor.

Section 8. Repeal. Ordinance No. 518, enacted during 1940; Ordinance No. 1119, enacted April 16, 1963; Ordinance No. 1145, enacted June 2, 1964, and Ordinance No. 1212, enacted June 7, 1966, are repealed.

Passed by the council and approved by the mayor this 11th day of JULY, 1967.

Kenneth B. Hewemitts  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Van R. Shaw  
City Recorder