

Ordinance
No. 10

An Ordinance to prohibit female dogs from running at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, while in heat, or in season, and to prohibit all dogs from running at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, between the hours of Nine P.M., and Six A.M., and to provide a penalty for violations of the same, and also to provide for impounding in cases where the owner is unknown.

Section 1.

Be it enacted and ordained by the Commissioners of Leonardtown that no female dog shall be permitted to run at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, while in heat or in season, at any time, and that no dog, whether male or female, shall be permitted to run at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, between the hours of Nine P.M., and Six A.M.

Section 2.

And be it further enacted and ordained by the authority aforesaid that, any person owning, harboring, or keeping any female dog found running at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, at any time, while in heat or in season, and any person owning, harboring or keeping any dog, male or female, found running at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, between the hours of Nine P.M., and Six A.M., shall upon conviction be subject to a fine of not less than \$1.00 and costs, nor more than \$10.00 and costs, and when said fine and costs are not paid, the party convicted and fined shall be committed to the St. Mary's County jail for a period not exceeding (10) Ten days, or until discharged in due course of law.

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Section 3.

And be it further enacted and ordained by the authority aforesaid, that the Bailiff of Leonardtown shall kill any female dog found running at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, while in heat or in season, without responsibility of any kind for such killing; and provided further that the Bailiff of Leonardtown may impound any dog found running at large, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, between the hours of Nine P.M., and Six A.M., and if the owner or keeper of said dog is unknown, and if, upon posting notices at two public places, within the corporate limits of Leonardtown, describing the said dog impounded and warning the unknown owner or keeper to remove said dog within Five days from the day the notices are posted, the said dog is not claimed and removed, the said Bailiff shall destroy or dispose of the said dog.

Section 4.

Be it further enacted and ordained by the authority aforesaid that this ordinance shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Passed by the Commissioners of Leonardtown this 1st day of February, 1939.

J. Richard Norris CLERK

Approved this 1st day of February, 1939.

Stephen M. Jones
President, Commissioners of Leonardtown