

ORDINANCE NUMBER 51

AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF DOGS WITH-
THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MT. CARMEL, TENNESSEE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen
of the City of Mt. Carmel, Tennessee, as follows:

SECTION I

Any dog found running at large within the confines
of the City of Mt. Carmel, Tennessee, may be seized by the
Health Officer or any police officer and placed in a pound
provided or designated by this governing body. If said dog
is wearing a tag, the owner shall be notified in person by
telephone or by a postcard addressed to his last known mail-
ing address to appear within five (5) days and redeem his
dog by paying a reasonable pound fee to be fixed by the pound-
keeper, or the dog will be humanely destroyed or sold. If
said dog is not wearing a tag, it shall be humanely destroyed
or sold unless legally claimed by the owner within two (2)
days. No dog shall be released in any event from the pound
unless or until such dog has been vaccinated and a tag placed
on its collar.

When because of its viciousness or apparent infec-
tion with rabies a dog found running at large cannot be
safely impounded, it may be summarily destroyed by the Health
Officer or any police officer.

SECTION II

RUNNING AT LARGE PROHIBITED

It shall be unlawful for any person knowingly to

permit any dog owned by him or under his control to run at large within the corporate limits.

SECTION III.

NOISY DOGS PROHIBITED

No person shall own, keep or harbor any dog which by loud and frequent barking, whining or howling, annoys or destroys the peace and quiet of any neighborhood.

SECTION IV.

RABIES VACCINATION AND REGISTRATION REQUIRED

It shall be unlawful for any person to own, keep or harbor any dog without having the same duly vaccinated against rabies and registered in accordance with the provisions of the Tennessee Anti-Rabies Law.

SECTION V.

DOGS TO WEAR TAGS

It shall be unlawful for any person to own, keep or harbor a dog which does not wear a tag evidencing the vaccination registration required by the preceding section.

SECTION VI.

It shall be unlawful for any person to own or keep any dog known to be vicious or dangerous unless such dog is so confined and/or otherwise securely restrained as to reasonably provide for the protection of other persons and animals.

SECTION VII.

CONFINEMENT OF DOGS SUSPECTED OF BEING RABID

If any dog has bitten any person or is suspected of having bitten any person or is for any reason suspected of being infected with rabies, the Health Officer or Chief of Police shall require such dog to be confined or isolated for such time as he reasonably deems necessary to determine if such dog is rabid.

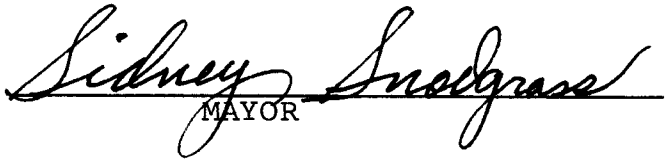
SECTION VIII.

PENALTY

It is hereby declared a misdemeanor for violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance, and any person convicted of violating any provisions of this ordinance shall upon conviction be fined a sum not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$50.00.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its final approval, the immediate health, safety and welfare of the citizens applying it.

CITY OF MT. CARMEL, TENNESSEE


MAYOR

ATTEST:

City Recorder

Approved as to Correctness
and Form:

City Attorney

PASSED FIRST READING 6-19-75

PASSED SECOND READING 7-10-75

PASSED THIRD READING 8-14-75