

BEING A BY-LAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGISTRATION OF DOGS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VAL RITA-HARTY AND THE COLLECTION OF A LICENSE FEE FROM THE OWNER THEREOF

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Val Rita-Harty deems it expedient to require to the owners of dogs within the Township of Val Rita-Harty to register same and to provide for the imposition of a license fee in respect thereto:

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Val Rita-Harty deems it expedient to provide for the disposal of impounded dogs;

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Township of Val Rita-Harty enacts as follows:

1. IN THIS BY-LAW:
 - a) “Owner” of a dog shall include any person who possesses or harbor a dog, and “owns” and “owned” have a corresponding meaning.
 - b) “Treasurer” shall mean the Treasurer for the Township of Val Rita-Harty or any person designated by the Council of the Township of Val Rita-Harty in his stead.
 - c) “Dog Tax Collector” shall mean any person appointed by the Council of the Township of Val Rita-Harty for that purpose.
 - d) For the purpose of this by-law, a dog shall be deemed to be running at large when found in any place other than the premises of the owner of the dog and not under the control of any person.
 - e) License fees for dogs shall be as follows:
 - Unneutered dog \$10,00 annually
 - Spayed and neutered dog \$ 30,00 lifetime(certificate from veterinarian and verification of rabies immunization required)
 - f) “Disposal” means the selling of an impounded dog at a price not less than the cost to redeem a dog under section 6(a) hereof or euthanize of an impounded dog.
 - g) “Animal Control Officer” means a person appointed by resolution of the Council of the Township of Val Rita-Harty to capture dogs running at large.
 - h) “By-law Enforcement Officer” means any by-law Enforcement Officer for the Township of Val Rita-Harty.
2. Every owner of a dog shall register, on or before the 15th day of January, every year, every dog he owns in the Township of Val Rita-Harty and then pay the treasurer the license fee prescribed in subsection (e) of section 1 hereof. Upon payment of the proper license fee, the owner shall procure from the Treasurer a license tag for each dog owned by him. The owner shall keep the tag so procured securely fixed on the dog for which the tag was obtained or issued at all times during the year for which same was issued, except that the tag may be removed while the dog is being lawfully used for hunting deer in the bush. Every owner of a dog shall renew the license annually.
3. Every person who becomes owner of a dog shall register same and pay the license fee therefore, as provided in section 2 hereof, within 15 days after acquiring or otherwise becoming the owner of a dog.

4. No owner of a dog shall allow the running at large of any dog owned by him at any time, in the Township of Val Rita-Harty.
5. Any dog found running at large in the Township of Val Rita-Harty, contrary to the provisions of this by-law, may be impounded by any by-law Enforcement Officer or by the Animal Control Officer, and may be disposed of at any time beyond 72 hours of its being impounded, excluding the day of pick-up, Sunday and Holidays.
6.
 - a) Any dog impounded under section 5 hereof, may be redeemed within 72 hours from the time it was impounded, including the day of pick-up, Sundays, and Holidays, by the owner, for the sum of \$50.00 for each dog plus the actual costs for the dog pound.
 - b) Where it is alleged that any of the provisions of the by-law respecting dogs running at large have been contravened, the registered owner of the dog may voluntarily pay out of court a penalty of \$50.00 exclusive of costs, plus the actual costs for the dog pound and if payment is not made in accordance with the procedure, the fine is recoverable under the Summary Convictions Act.
7. A fee of \$2.00 shall be charged for each tag that is issued to replace a tag procured under section 2 hereof which said tag is lost or stolen.
8. The by-law Enforcement Officer or the Animal Control Officer may seize and impound and euthanize whether before or after impounded dogs running at large contrary to the by-law and may sell dogs so impounded at such time and in such manner as is provided for in this by-law.
9. Every person who contravenes any section of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction of an offence is liable to a fine as provided for by the Provincial Offences Act R.S.O. 1990 Chapter P.33 as amended, and all the provisions of the said Act shall apply to any prosecution for any offence under the provisions of this by-law.
10. That schedule "A" form part of this by-law.
11. That by-law 721-02 be repealed

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2015

Mayor: Johanne Baril

Acting Clerk: Lise Bérubé

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2015

Mayor: Johanne Baril

Acting Clerk: Lise Bérubé

READ A THIRD TIME AND FINALLY PASSED THIS 22ND DAY OF OCTOBER 2015

Mayor: Johanne Baril

Clerk: Christiane Potvin

Schedule “A”

TO BY-LAW NO. 1011-15. CONTROL OF DOGS
Part 1 Provincial Offences Act

SET FINE SCHEDULE

Item	Column 1 Short Form Wording	Column 2 Provisions creating or defining offence	Column 3 Set Fine
1	Fail to register Dog	Section 2	\$ 50.00
2	Fail to Renew Annual License	Section 2	\$ 50.00
3	Permit Dog To Run At Large	Section 4	\$ 500.00

Note: The penalty provision for the offences indicated above this Section 9 of By-Law Number 1011-15, a certified copy of which has been filed