

To require that dogs be inoculated with approved anti-rabies serum, and that they be tagged, and to provide for detention of untagged dogs or animals suspected of having rabies.

BE IT ORDAINED by the mayor and board of aldermen of the Town of Elizabeth that:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, whether as the owner or in any other capacity, to harbor, keep, or have possession of within the town any dog or other animal of the canine species over the age of four months without having had the animal inoculated with an approved anti-rabies serum by or under the direction of a licensed Veterinarian and without having caused to be attached to each animal's collar a metal tag which shall indicate the period for which the inoculation is effective.

Section 2. Any dog or any animal of the canine species found in the town over the age of four months at any time after June 15, 1965, which has not been inoculated and which does not have a metal tag attached to its collar indicating the effective period of the inoculation shall be seized and impounded by the Marshal and held for a period not to exceed seven days, during which time the owner or keeper of such animal may claim the animal after causing it to be inoculated and causing a metal tag showing the effective period of the inoculation to be attached to its collar and after paying an impounding fee of Three Dollars. If any animal so impounded is not claimed within seven days after it is impounded, the animal shall be humanely destroyed or sold at public or private sale.


Section 3. The owner of any dog that has been impounded and sold to another person shall be entitled to claim the animal within thirty days after the sale, provided that all fees and cost of maintenance are reimbursed to the new owner.

Section 4. Any dog or other animal, whether registered or not, that has bitten a human being within the town, or that has been bitten by any animal suspected of having rabies, or any infection associated therewith, shall be impounded for a period of ten days or longer for observation.

Adopted June 2, 1964

ATTEST:


ROBERT REESE, Clerk


J. E. BOND, Mayor