

ORDINANCE NO. 50

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING ALL DOGS AND BITCHES ALLOWED TO RUN AT LARGE WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, TO BE LICENSED. PROVIDING FOR AN ANNUAL DOG LICENSE TAX, PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE KEEPING OF DOGS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE SAID TOWN OF GRANITE FALLS, WASHINGTON, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Grantie Falls, Washington.

Section 1: Every person owning, keeping or harboring any dog or bitch which is allowed to run at large within the corporate limits of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington, shall annually pay for each such dog or bitch a dog license tax as follows: For each dog the sum of one Dollar and for each bitch the sum of two dollars.

Section 2: On receipt of the tax provided for in Section 1 of this ordinance, the Town marshal shall furnish the person paying the same a license, which shall be dated the first day of June in the year in which the same is issued, and shall be in force for one (1) year from the date thereof and no longer; and the said marshal shall furnish with said license a metal tag upon which shall be stamped a number corresponding to the number of said license, which tag the person paying license as above provided shall cause to be worn on the collar of the dog for which said license is paid.

Section 3: All dogs or bitches found running at large without having on the marked callar hereinbefore provided for are hereby declared to be public nuisances and it shall be the duty of the said Town Marshal to distrain and impound all such dogs and bitches for which service he shall be entitled to a fee of one dollar for each dog or bitch impounded together with the sum of twenty-five cents per head for every day or part thereof during which said dog or bitch shall be kept in custody, to be collected from the owner of such dog or bitch; provided however, that no dog or bitch impounded as above shall be kept over forty-eight (48) hours, at the expiration of which time

it shall be the duty of said Town Marshal, if such dog or bitch has not been redeemed by the owner or keeper thereof, to offer such dog or bitch for sale for the payment of the tax and fees due and in case of failure to obtain a purchaser for the full amount of such tax and fees, it shall be the duty of said marshal to immediately cause the destruction of such dog or bitch, it shall also be the duty of the said marshal to bury all dogs and bitches destroyed by him and for impounding, keeping, destroying and burying each dog or bitch under the provisions of this ordinance he shall receive the sum of one dollar, to be paid by the Town of Granite Falls, Washington.

Section 4: If any person owning, keeping or harboring any bitch, shall allow the same to run at large within the corporate limits of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington while in heat notwithstanding such person shall have a license for such bitch as hereinbefore provided, for every such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall on conviction thereof for each and every offense be fined in any sum not exceeding ten dollars to which shall be added the costs of prosecution.

Section 5: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 6: This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on and after the 1st day of June, 1909.

C. E. WILLOUGHBY, Mayor

ATTEST:
CHAS. T. SMITH
Town Clerk