

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-06

**VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE
RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN**

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE SECTION 6-2 AND AMEND SECTIONS 6-34 AND 6-81(B) OF THE VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO THE HUMANE OFFICER IN THE VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE, RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE, RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

1. That Section 6-2 is created to read as follows:

“Sec. 6-2. Humane Officer

(a) *Purpose.* The purpose of this section is to establish the position of Humane Officer and authorize the Humane Officer to enforce this Chapter and issue citations for any violations within the Village of Yorkville.

(b) *Establishment, duties and powers of the Humane Officer.* The position of Humane Officer is hereby established. The Humane Officer shall have the powers and duties set forth in Wis. Stat. Chapter 173.

(c) *Appointment of the Human Officer.* The Village Board shall appoint the Humane officer. The Humane Officer shall serve at the pleasure of the Village Board. The Village Clerk shall report the appointment and termination of the Humane Officer to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (“Department”). The Human Officer shall have proper certification as defined by Wis. Stat. § 173.05. Failure of a Humane Officer to obtain proper certification within the time periods required by the Department shall be grounds for termination of the appointment.

(d) *Jurisdiction.* The Humane Officer shall carry out his or her duties within the boundaries of the Village of Yorkville pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 173.03(3).

(e) *Abatement citation review.* Pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 173.03(2) and 173.11(3), the Village President is authorized to review and affirm, modify, or withdraw abatement orders issued by the Humane Officer.”

2. That Section 6-34 is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 6-34. Dognapping.

No person may take the dog of another from one place to another without the owner's consent or cause such a dog to be confined or carried out of the Village or held for any

purpose without the owner's consent. This section does not apply to the Human Officer or humane society agents engaged in the exercise of their official duties, or as otherwise permitted in this chapter.”

3. That Section 6-81(b) is amended to read as follows:

“(b) The Humane Officer may remove, shelter and care for any animal found to be cruelly exposed to the weather, starved or denied adequate water, neglected, abandoned or otherwise treated in a cruel manner and may deliver such animal to another person to be sheltered, cared for and given medical attention, if necessary. In all cases the owner, if known shall be immediately notified and such officer, or other person, having possession of the animal shall have a lien thereon for its care, keeping and medical attention and the expense of notice.”

4. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Yorkville, Racine County, Wisconsin, this 25th day of November, 2019.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Abstentions: 0

Absences: 0

VILLAGE OF YORKVILLE

By: 
Douglas Nelson, President

Attest: 
Michael McKinney, Clerk-Treasurer

Village of Yorkville
Notice of Newly Enacted Ordinance

Please take notice that, on Monday, November 25, 2019, the Village Board of the Village of Yorkville enacted Ordinance 2019-06, entitled "An Ordinance to create Section 6-2 and amend Sections 6-34 and 6-81(b) of the Village of Yorkville Code of Ordinances related to the Humane Officer in the Village of Yorkville, Racine County, Wisconsin". This ordinance establishes the position of Humane Officer for the Village of Yorkville and updates several sections of the Village of Yorkville Code of Ordinances to include references to the Humane Officer.

The full text of this ordinance may be obtained from the Village of Yorkville Clerk-Treasurer's Office, 925 15th Avenue, Union Grove, Wisconsin 53182, or through the Village's website at www.villageofyorkville.com. The phone number for the Clerk-Treasurer is (262) 878-2123.

Michael McKinney
Clerk-Treasurer