

A LOCAL LAW
AMENDING THE CORINTH TOWN CODE
REGARDING DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS

Be it enacted by the Corinth Town Board as follows:

ARTICLE 1. Chapter 55 of the Corinth Town Code, entitled "Animals", is amended as follows:

A. Section 55-4, entitled "Licensing", is amended as follows

(i) The last sentence of **paragraph B(2)**, which reads "The fee for replacing a lost license tag will be \$2.", is deleted in its entirety;

(ii) Paragraph B(3) is amended to read as follows:

a) A guide dog, a police work dog, hearing dog, ~~service dog~~, working search dog or detection dog, as those terms are defined by Section 108 of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, Article 7, will be exempt from all license fees. Such dogs must be licensed annually.

b) A service animal shall be any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual or other mental disability. On a case-by-case basis these dogs may be exempt from the license fee if the Town Board so determines.

B. Section 55-9, entitled "Dog Bites" is amended to read as follows:

If any dog kept in the Town of Corinth has bitten a person at any time, the owner shall keep such dog confined ~~and muzzled~~ for a period of 10 days if proof of rabies vaccination is available. If no such proof can be found then said dog shall be impounded at the Saratoga County Animal Shelter under the direction of the Animal Control Officer for the period of 10 days, at which time the owner shall redeem his dog and take full responsibility for the impoundment fee. Aggressive or possibly dangerous dogs will be handled under New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Article 7 – Dangerous Dog.

C. The title of Article II is amended to read “Control of ~~Cats and~~ Nuisance Animals”.

D. **Section 55-14**, entitled Purpose”, is amended to read as follows:

The purpose of this article is to promote the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Town of Corinth by enforcing regulations and restrictions on the activities of ~~cats and other~~ domestic animals and the seizure thereof consistent with the rights and privileges of animal owners as well as the rights and privileges of other citizens of the Town.

ARTICLE 3. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph or provision of this Local Law shall not invalidate any other clause, sentence, paragraph or part thereof.

ARTICLE 4. All Local Laws or ordinances or parts of Local Laws or ordinances in conflict with any part of this Local law are hereby repealed.

ARTICLE 5. This Local Law shall take effect upon filing in the office of the New York State Department of State.