Amendment to Ordinance #24-91

ORDINANCE REGULATING AND CONTROLLING DOGS WITHIN THE TOWN OF HAYWARD

AUTHORITY

The Town Board of the Town of Hayward, Sawyer County, Wisconsin, has the specific authority to adopt this ordinance under the provisions of Section 60.23, Wis. Stats.

The Town of Hayward amends Ordinance #24-91 by repealing the old ordinance and reenacting Ordinance #24-91 as follows:

<u>SECTION 1</u> -Dogs Running at Large.

Within the Town, no person who owns or keeps a dog shall allow a dog to run at large. A dog is defined as "running at large" if it is off the premises of its owner and is not under the direct control of the owner or some other person.

SECTION 2-Untagged Dog.

No person shall keep a dog within the Town without a valid license tag. A dog is defined as "untagged" if a valid license tag is not attached to a collar which is kept on the dog whenever the dog is outdoors, unless the dog is securely confined in a fenced area.

SECTION 3 - Dog Running at Large or Untagged Dog subject to Impoundment.

Any officer may attempt to capture and restrain any dog running at large and any untagged dog. Dogs that are apprehended and confined shall be kept at the Sawyer County Animal Shelter and held for at least seven (7) days, then properly disposed of in a careful, proper and humane manner. Disposal shall include cooperation with the local Humane Society to place dogs with the Humane Society.

SECTION 4-Penalties.

The penalty for violation of this ordinance shall be the sum of \$50.00 for the first offense, together with court costs and the costs of prosecution, and \$100.00 for the second offense within one (1) year, together with court costs and the costs of prosecution.

SECTION 5 - Severability

If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision of application, and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are severable.

SECTION 6-Effective Date

This amendment shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided by law.

SECTION 7-Repeal and Enactment

The Town Board, in enacting this ordinance, hereby repeals and reenacts Ordinance #24-91 which was originally enacted on March 5, 1991.

Adopted this 11th day of March, 2006.