

ORDINANCE NO. 177

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO 117 AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING CERTAIN RULES AND REGULATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE CARE AND KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF CERTAIN ANIMALS AND FOWL WITHIN THE CITY OF CHERRY VALLEY.

WHEREAS, THE City Council of the City of Cherry Valley, Arkansas (the "City"), has determined that there is an urgent need for regulations concerning the care and keeping of certain animals and fowl within the City of Cherry Valley; and,

WHEREAS it is necessary to enact this Ordinance to regulate the care and keeping of certain animals, and to prohibit the keeping of certain animals and fowl:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF CHERRY VALLEY, ARKANSAS as follows:

SECTION 1: Horses, Cows, Hogs, Goats, and Sheep

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep any horses, cows, hogs, goats, or sheep within the city or to permit any such animals to run at large within the city; except when in transit, they may be kept for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours in an established stockyard.

SECTION 2: Diseased Animals

No person shall be allowed to transport into this city any animal affected with a contagious disease.

SECTION 3: Releasing Animals

It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly release any animal in any public place within the corporate limits of the city.

SECTION 4: Fowl

It shall be unlawful for any person owning or having control of any chickens, turkeys, or other fowl to allow the same to run at large within the city.

SECTION 5: Cruelty to Animals

If any person shall drive, overload, torture, torment, deprive of necessary sustenance or cruelty beat or needlessly mutilate or kill any animal, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION 6: Possession of Wild, Poisonous, or dangerous Animals or Reptiles

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, sell, or have in his possession or under his control within the city any poisonous reptile or any other dangerous or carnivorous wild animal or reptile.

SECTION 7: Animals Listed

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, maintain, sell, or have in his possession or under his control within the city any of the following animals:

- 1. All poisonous animals including rear fang snakes***
- 2. Apes: chimpanzees (pan); gibbons (Hylobates), gorillas (Gorilla); orangutans (pongo) and siamangs (symphylans).***
- 3. Baboons (PA poi, Mandrills)***
- 4. Bears (Ursidae)***
- 5. Cheetahs (Acinonyx jubatus)***
- 6. Alligators or crocodilians (Crocodylia)***
- 7. Snakes***
- 8. Coyotes (Canis latrans)***
- 9. Elephants (Elephas and Loxodonta)***
- 10. Hippopotami (Hippopotamidae)***
- 11. Hyenas (Hyaenidae)***
- 12. Jaguars (Panthera onca)***
- 13. Léopards (Panthera pardus)***
- 14. Lions (Panthera Leo)***
- 15. Lynxes (Lynx)***
- 16. Monkey, old world (Cercopithecoidea)***
- 17. Piranha fish (Characidae)***
- 18. Pumas (Felis concolor), also known as cougars, mountain lion and panthers***
- 19. Rhinoceroses (Rhinocerotidae)***
- 20. Tiger (Panthera tigris)***
- 21. Wolves (Canis lupus)***

SECTION 8: Exceptions

Those animals and reptiles listed in Section 7 are specific animals or reptiles prohibited, but this section is not limited to those animals or reptiles listed and any animal or reptile which meets the prohibition of Section 7 is also prohibited.

SECTION 9: Rodeos and Circuses

This section does not apply to entertainment events approved by the City Council in advance, such as rodeos or circuses.

SECTION 10: Penalties

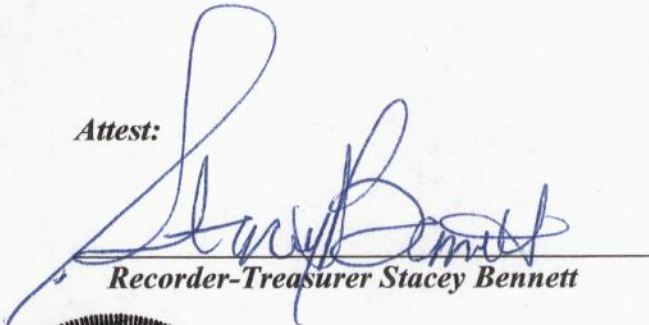
Any person violating any provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a Class A Misdemeanor and subject to such penalties. In addition, after notice is given to the owner of any such wild animal or reptile, the mayor and police department are authorized to have the animal or reptile removed from the city limits.

Passed this 9th day of November, 2021.



Mayor Adam Love

Attest:



Recorder-Treasurer Stacey Bennett

