

Village of Causey

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ORDINANCE NO. 13

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING GOVERNING DOGS AND CATS RUNNING AT LARGE IN THE VILLAGE OF CAUSEY

WHEREAS, the Village of Causey, State of New Mexico, in the interest of public safety deems it necessary to prescribe safety regulations for the Village at large and WHEREAS dogs and cats running at large in the Village constitutes a safety hazard to the public.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE VILLAGE OF CAUSEY, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, as follows, to wit:

ARTICLE I

SECTION I: DEFINITIONS: For the purpose of this Article the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them.

RUNNING AT LARGE: The phrase "running at large" shall mean being on private or public property other than that belonging to, being occupied or leased by the owner while not under the actual physical control of the owner, that is to say on a leash or at heel after a complaint has been received by an official charged with duty to enforce this ordinance.

SECTION II: RUNNING AT LARGE PROHIBITED: It shall be unlawful for any person owning, harboring, or having custody, control or possession of any dog or cat to cause or permit any dog or cat to run at large in the Village of Causey, State of New Mexico.

When dogs and cats are found running at large and the Sheriff of Roosevelt County or his Deputy can establish their ownership, he shall notify the owner of such a fact, and shall cite the offending owner into the Magistrate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico for violation of the provision of this Section.

When dogs and cats are found running at large in the County and, the Sheriff of Roosevelt County or his Deputy cannot establish ownership of said dogs and cats, then; the Sheriff or his Deputy shall dispose of such dog or cat forthwith.

Section III: INTERFERING WITH SHERIFF OR DEPUTY PROHIBITED: It shall be unlawful for any person to interfere with, molest, hinder or prevent the Sheriff of Roosevelt County or his Deputy in discharging their duties as herein prescribed, or to violate any of the provisions of this Article.

SECTION IV: PENALTIES: Any person who violates the provisions of this Article shall be cited into the Magistrate Court of Roosevelt County, New Mexico, and if that person shall be found guilty of violation of this Article, the Magistrate shall sentence such person to be imprisoned in the Roosevelt County Detention Center for a definite term not to exceed 90 days or to the payment of a fine not to exceed \$300.00 or both such imprisonment and fine.

SECTION V: AREA IN WHICH ORDINANCE EFFECTIVE: This Ordinance is effective within the boundaries of the Village of Causey, State of New Mexico, including privately owned land or land owned by the United States.

SECTION VI: EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall become effective on the 15th day of May 2005.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
VILLAGE OF CAUSEY, THIS 12th DAY OF APRIL 2005.

Geneva F. Judah
Mayor

ATTEST:

T. Ann Clark
Municipal Clerk