CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTMEATH

<u>BY-LAW 96-33</u>

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 83-04 AS AMENDED BY BY-LAW 85-07 AND BY-LAW 96-17 WHICH REGULATES THE KEEPING AND CONTROL OF ANIMALS, THE LICENSING AND RESTRAINT OF DOGS, THE TAKING UP AND IMPOUNDMENT, THE DESTRUCTION OF DOGS IN CERTAIN INSTANCES AND CERTAIN OTHER ASPECTS OF ANIMAL CONTROL WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTMEATH.

WHEREAS the Council of a Municipality may pass by-laws with regard to regulating the keeping and control of animals; the licensing and restraint of dogs, the taking up and impoundment of animals, the destruction of dogs in certain instances and certain other aspects of animal control;

AND WHEREAS it has been deemed expedient to enact such a by-law for the Corporation of the Township of Westmeath;

AND WHEREAS the Corporation wishes to amend Sections 4(a) and 8(b) of By-Law 83-04 and Section 15 of By-Law 85-07.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTMEATH ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:-

4. <u>LICENSING</u>

(a) No person who resides within the Township of Westmeath shall own or harbour any dog without having first obtained a license from the Corporation to do so, which the license shall be called a Dog license, and pay a license fee as follows:

For a neutered male dog	\$ 15.00
For a spayed female dog	\$ 15.00
For a male and female dog	\$ 25.00

and such license shall expire on December 31st of each year.

8. <u>RESTRAINT</u>

(b) On complaint made to the Municipality that any dog within the Township has become a nuisance by barking, biting or howling, or by chasing and barking or biting at horses, motor cars, vehicles or bicycles or persons riding thereon any street or that any dog has attacked or bitten any person, the Municipality shall inquire into such complaint, and is satisfied that the said complaint is proved, shall order the owner, possessor or harbourer of such dog to deliver the dog over to the Animal Control Officer having jurisdiction within the Township of Westmeath in order that it may be destroyed and such dog shall thereupon be destroyed and any such owner or person who shall refuse or neglect to deliver said dog over to the Animal Control Officer having jurisdiction within the Township of Westmeath 24 hours thereafter shall be guilty of a further infraction of this By-law and liable to the penalty thereof, and it shall be the duty of the Animal Control Officer having jurisdiction within the Township of Westmeath to destroy such dog if so ordered by the Municipality so soon thereafter as it may be discovered.

15. <u>PENALTY</u>

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Any person guilty of an infraction of any provision of this By-Law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided for under the Provincial Offences Act.

By-Law 96-17 is hereby repealed.

This By-Law shall come into force and take effect upon the day of the final passing thereof.

PASSED and ENACTED this 18th Day of December, 1996.

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CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WESTMEATH BY-LAW 83-04: TITLE: Control of Animals, the Licensing and Restraint of Dogs

ITEM	COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3 Set Fine (Includes Cost)
1.	Keeping a restricted animal on a residential lot in a residential zone	Section 3	\$ 65.00
2.	Being the owner of a dog, and failing to purchase a dog license	Section 4 (a)	\$ 65.00
3.	Being a person who harbours a dog, failing to purchase a dog license	Section 4 (a)	\$ 65.00
4.	Being the owner of a dog, using a license tag issued for another dog	Section 4 (d)	\$ 65.00
5.	Being a person who harbours a dog, using a tag issued for another dog	Section 4 (d)	\$ 65.00
6.	Being the owner of a dog, failing to keep a license tag securely fixed on the dog	Section 4 (d)	\$ 65.00

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7.	Being a person who harbours a dog, failing to keep a license tag securely fixed on the dog	Section 4 (d)	\$ 65.00	
8.	Being the owner of a dog permitting it to run at large	Section 8 (a)	\$ 65.00	
9.	Being a person who harbours a dog, permitting it to run at large.	Section 8 (a)	\$ 65.00	
10.	Being the owner of a dog, failing to deliver it to the animal control officer.	Section 8 (b)	\$ 65.00	
11.	Being the possessor of a dog, failing to deliver it to the animal control officer.	Section 8 (b)	\$ 65.00	
12.	Being the harbourer of a dog, failing to deliver it to the animal control officer.	Section 8 (b)	\$ 65.00	
13.	Being the owner of any animal, allowing it to trespass on private property.	Section 8 (c)	\$ 65.00	
14.	Being a person who keeps any animal, allowing it to trespass on private property	Section 8 (c)	\$ 65.00	

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15.	Being a person who harbours any animal, allowing it to trespass on private property	Section 8 (c)	\$ 65.00
16.	Being a person who possesses any animal allowing it to trespass on private property	Section 8(c)	\$ 65.00
17.	Interfering with any agent in the performance of his duties	Section 14	\$ 65.00
18.	Hindering any agent in the performance of his duties	Section 14	\$ 65.00
19.	Molesting any agent in the performance in his duties	Section 14	\$ 65.00
20.	Seeking to unlawfully release any animal in the custody of the Corporation or its agents	Section 14	\$ 65.00

Note: The penalty provisions for the offences indicated above is Section 15 of By-Law 96-33

<u>PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT</u>

Part I

IT IS ORDERED pursuant to the provisions of the *Provincial Offences Act* and the rules for the Ontario Court (Provincial Division), that the amount set opposite each of the offences in the schedules of offences under the Provincial Statutes and Regulations thereunder and Municipal By-law No. 83-04 of the **Township of Westmeath** attached hereto are the set fines, including costs, for those offences. This Order is to take effect January 21, 1997.

Dated at Ottawa this 21st day of January 1997.

Paul R. Bélanger, Regional Senior Judge Ontario Court (Provincial Division) East Region