

## Chapter 6

### ANIMALS\*

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\***State law references**—Authority to adopt animal control ordinance, MCL 287.290; crimes related to animals and birds, MCL 750.49 et seq.; wildlife conservation, MCL 324.40101 et seq.

**Sec. 6-1. Posting of signs for invisible fencing.**

Any property owner or lessee who installs an invisible fence near a public street or property shall post a sign visible to any passersby alerting them to the presence of the invisible fence.

**Sec. 6-2. Running at large, creating disturbance or committing damage prohibited; domesticated animals and fowl.**

All cows, hogs, sheep, horses, goats, or other such domesticated animals and all fowl found running at large within the limits of the village or on the premises of any person within said village, other than the premises of the owner of such domesticated animals or fowl, at any time in the year, may be impounded by the county animal control officer.

(Code 1988, § 2.407)

**State law reference**—Livestock running at large, MCL 433.51 et seq.

**Sec. 6-3. Violations; penalty.**

(a) Any dog running at large and committing personal or property damage other than damage to its owner's premises or creating a disturbance shall be ordered to be kept properly confined to the owner's premises. Upon failure of the owner to confine such dog after having been ordered so to do, such dog may be impounded by the county animal control officer.

(b) Any person found guilty of harboring any animal or fowl which shall be found a nuisance because of creating disturbance or committing personal or property damage other than damage to its owner's premises shall be punished as provided in section 1-17.

(Code 1988, §§ 2.408, 2.410)

**State law reference**—Common law liability, MCL 287.288.

**Sec. 6-4. Impounded animals.**

Any animal impounded under this chapter shall be delivered to the county animal control for disposition.

(Code 1988, § 2.411)

**Sec. 6-5. Care of animals.**

All animals or fowl, farm, domestic, or any other, kept within the village limits, whether confined or not, must be properly cared for in regard to food, water and shelter, and must be otherwise treated in a humane manner.

(Code 1988, § 2.601)

**State law reference**—Cruelty to animals, MCL 750.50.

**Sec. 6-6. Hunting prohibited.**

No person shall hunt or pursue, trap, capture, kill or destroy by any means whatsoever any animal within the corporate limits of the village, except in extreme cases of actual property damage or defacement, in which case permission may be granted by the village council.

(Code 1988, §§ 2.604, 2.605)

**Sec. 6-7. Violation as a municipal civil infraction.**

Any person violating this chapter shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction.

(Code 1988, § 2.606)