

BORO OF MILLVILLE  
COLUMBIA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NUMBER 20000418.147

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING DOGS IN THE BORO OF MILLVILLE

WHEREAS, the Council of the Boro of Millville, hereinafter the Boro, has received numerous complaints of dogs defecating on public property where people have to walk and work, and

WHEREAS, the Boro has received complaints of dogs being allowed to defecate on property of others, and

WHEREAS, the Boro has received numerous complaints about barking dogs depriving residents of peace, rest or sleep, and

WHEREAS, the Boro is desirous of maintaining the peace and tranquility of its residents, NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED:

Section 1. Definitions - Owner shall mean any person owning or having the right of property to a dog, licensed or unlicensed, or any person having the control and custody of a dog, and the parents of any child under the age of 18 years who owns or has the control and custody of a dog, licensed or unlicensed, within or frequenting the Boro.

Section 2 - Removal of Dog Feces from Public Places. It shall be unlawful for any owner of a dog to cause or allow such a dog to defecate upon any street, sidewalk, passageway, park, or any other public place where people congregate or walk within the limits of the Boro of Millville unless such owner shall immediately remove and dispose of, in a sanitary manner, all such feces deposited by such dog. The deposit shall be properly wrapped, packaged or protected so as to prevent unsightly disposal, disagreeable odor, or to interfere with the health and welfare of the community.

Section 3 - Dog Defecation on Private Property Without Permission Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dog to cause or allow such dog to defecate upon any private property of a resident of the Boro of Millville without the permission of the owner of said property.

Section 4 - Interpretation - At a trial for any charge of violating sections two and three of this Ordinance it shall be conclusively presumed that the owner of any such dog has caused or allowed the occurrence to have happened.

Section 5. - Unlawful to Allow Animals to Make Noise or Disturbance. No owner shall allow any dog to make any loud or harsh noise or disturbance which shall interfere with or deprive the peace, quiet or sleep of any person within the Boro limits of Millville.

Section 6. - Penalty for Violation. Any person who shall violate any provision of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than twenty-five (\$25) nor more than three-hundred (\$300) to which shall be added the costs of prosecution.

Section 7. - Repealer All Ordinances and Resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 8. - Severability Clause. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any provision or part thereof shall be held invalid or unconstitutional or inapplicable to any person or circumstances, such invalidity, unconstitutionality or inapplicability shall not affect or impair the remaining provisions of the act.

Section 9. - This Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment.

Ordained and enacted this 18th day of April, 2000 at a stated meeting of the Boro council of Millville.

ATTEST      BOROUGH OF MILLVILLE:

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Murray Holdren, Sec.  
President of Council

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Millard C. Ludwig

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Jerre Wright, Mayor