

**VILLAGE OF BRADFORD,**  
Stark County, Illinois

**AN ORDINANCE** Amending the Regulation of Animals in the  
**VILLAGE OF BRADFORD**, Stark County, Illinois.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bradford has considered in open session amendment of the regulation of animals in the Village;

**AND, WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bradford has determined that in order to protect public health and safety, and the property rights of citizens, modification of the Animal Control Ordinance is necessary;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** By The Board of Trustees of the Village of Bradford, STARK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, As Follows:

**SECTION ONE.** That Title 6, Chapter 6 is added to the Village Code to read and shall be as follows:

6-6-1:

- (A) Purpose. The purpose of this Section is to encourage responsible pet ownership.
- (B) Definitions. As used in this Section unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms shall have the meaning ascribed to each:
  - (1) "Altered" means any animal that has been spayed or neutered.
  - (2) "Cat" means any commonly domesticated feline animal and includes both the male and female sex of the species.
  - (3) "Free Roaming" means any cat that is not restrained and is off of the property of the owner.
  - (4) "Nuisance Cat" means any cat that is free roaming and is not altered.
  - (5) "Owner" means an adult person or temporary or permanent custodian possessing, harboring, keeping, feeding, sheltering or having control or custody of a cat or any person having any financial interest, right, or property in the cat and also includes any person who knowingly permits a cat(s) to remain on or about any premises occupied by that person.
- (C) Unlawful conduct.
  - (1) It is unlawful to be the owner of a nuisance cat(s).

- (2) It is unlawful for any person to feed a stray or homeless cat(s) without taking full responsibility for the cat(s) by providing the cat(s) with continued humane treatment which shall include proper food, water, shelter, veterinarian care, rabies vaccination, and altering the cat(s).

(D) PENALTY for violation of this Section shall be as set forth in this Chapter of the Village Code.

**SECTION TWO.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION THREE.** Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, and words thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, phrases or words have been declared invalid or unconstitutional, and if for any reason this ordinance should be declared invalid or unconstitutional, then the remaining ordinance provisions will be in full force and effect.

**SECTION FOUR.** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten days after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed and Approved by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Bradford, Illinois, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D. 2011.

Ayes: Tony Carlton, Nick Johnson, Kevin Rasmussen, Dave Ferman, Henry Waldinger and Corey Moodie

Nays: NONE

Absent: NONE

Approved:

Adam Wilson  
Village President

ATTEST:

Joanne Holman  
Village Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

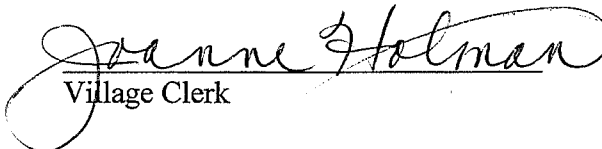
STATE OF ILLINOIS,        )  
COUNTY OF STARK,        )     SS.  
VILLAGE OF BRADFORD )

I, the undersigned, Clerk of the **VILLAGE OF BRADFORD**, in the County of Stark and State of Illinois, do hereby Certify that the attached and foregoing constitutes a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of the legally convened meeting of the Village Board of said Village held the 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D. 2011, insofar as the same relates to the adoption of the following Ordinance entitled "**AN ORDINANCE** Amending the Regulation of Animals in the **VILLAGE OF BRADFORD**, Stark County, Illinois" a true and accurate copy of said Ordinance being attached hereto.

I do further certify each member of the Village Board was given notice of said meeting in accordance with the procedural rules of the Village; that the deliberations of the Village Board were taken openly; that the vote on the adoption of said ordinance was taken openly; that said meeting was held at a time and place convenient to the public after strict compliance with all requirements of "An Act In Relation To Meetings" approved July 11, 1957, as amended (the Open Meetings Act), and that the Village Board has complied with all other applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and procedures in the adoption of said ordinance.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, A.D. 2011.

(CORPORATE SEAL)

  
Village Clerk