

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILMOT

BY-LAW NUMBER 88-26

BY-LAW TO REGULATE THE KEEPING OF  
ANIMALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY

WHEREAS Paragraph 1, Section 210 of The Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 302 provides that by-laws may be passed by municipalities for prohibiting or regulating the keeping of animals or any class thereof within the municipality or defined areas thereof and for restricting, within the municipality or defined area thereof, the number of animals or any class thereof that may be kept by any person;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to enact such a By-law for the Township of Wilmot;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WILMOT ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. In this By-law:
  - (a) "Zone 1" has the same meaning as in Township of Wilmot By-law No. 83-38;
  - (b) "animal" includes birds, reptiles, fish and insects and means an animal identified within a class;
  - (c) "Township" means Township of Wilmot.
  - (d) "Class 1 animal" includes horse, cow, bull, steer, pig, sheep, ox, donkey, mule, goat and any other animal bred or kept for agricultural or commercial purposes;
  - (e) "Class 2 animal" includes chicken, rooster, goose, turkey, duck, peacock, partridge, swan and pigeon;

(f) "Class 3 animal" includes wolf, fox, wild dog, hyena, wolverine, coyote, bear, bobcat, mountain lion, cheetah, cougar, jaguar, leopard, lion, ocelot, panther, rhinoceros, tiger, crocodile, alligator, baboon, ape, boar, condor, eagle, falcon, hawk, vulture, venomous snake, venomous spider, monitor or dragon lizard, mongoose, shark or piranha;

(g) "Class 4 animal" includes, rat, bat, non-venomous snake, skunk, weasel, otter, badger, chimpanzee, monkey, kangaroo, elephant, giraffe, tortoise, whale, porpoise, dolphin, seal, walrus and ostrich.

(h) "Poundkeeper" means the New Hamburg Veterinary Clinic.

2. No person shall keep within the Township any Class 1 or Class 2 animal except on land within Zone 1, having a lot area of not less than 1.2 hectares.

3. (i) No person shall keep within the Township any Class 3 or Class 4 animal.

(ii) Subsection (i) shall not apply to the keeping of Class 3 or Class 4 animals at or by:

(a) A public health laboratory;

(b) A public pound;

(c) The New Hamburg Veterinary Clinic;

(d) A veterinary hospital or clinic under the care of a licenced veterinarian;

(e) A licenced veterinarian.

4. No person shall keep any animal within the Township of Wilmot except in compliance with any applicable Federal or Provincial regulation, with any by-law of the Township of Wilmot or the Regional Municipality of Waterloo, and with any requirement of the Regional Medical Officer of Health.

5. Any person who contravenes any provision of this By-law is guilty of an offence and is liable to a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, plus Court costs, recoverable under the provisions of the Provincial Offences Act.

PASSED this 6 day of

*June*

, 1988.

*Ralph Shog*

Mayor

*Grant Swartz*

Clerk