

ORDINANCE NO. 15-03-03
Amend Animal Ordinance

WHEREAS, the Village of Sherrard has the authority to adopt ordinances and promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs and that protect the public health, safety, and welfare of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sherrard has previously enacted Title 3, Chapter 2 to address certain matters related to the keeping of Animals within the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Sherrard desires to make certain amendments to Title 3, Chapter 2; and

WHEREAS, the Village believes that adoption of this ordinance is in the best interests of the Village and its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SHERRARD, ILLINOIS, as follows:

“**Section 17. Penalty**” of Title 3, Chapter 2 is hereby renumbered to Section 18. The following language is added as a separate paragraph at the end of said Section.

Effective June 1, 2015, when the Village has reason to suspect a person is in violation of the “Limitation on Number of Animals” provisions of Section 17 of this Chapter, a police officer or animal control officer may, upon authorization by the Village Board, apply for a court order directing the removal of one or more such animals from the owner and placing said animal for adoption or otherwise to dispose of said animal in a humane manner.

Section 17 of Title 3 is hereby renamed “**Limitation on Number of Animals**” and shall read as follows:

It shall be unlawful to harbor or keep more than three (3) dogs or three (3) cats, or any combination of four (4) domestic animals excluding household domestic rodents, tropical fish or exotic birds, anywhere in the Village.

Any person harboring or keeping more than three (3) dogs or three (3) cats and not licensed by the Village as a kennel operator pursuant to Section 7 of this Chapter is subject to penalty under Section 18.

Passed and approved this _3rd_ day of __March__, 2015.

____//Signed//_____
President
Village of Sherrard, Illinois

[SEAL]

ATTEST:

____//Signed//_____
Village Clerk

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
VILLAGE OF SHERRARD) SS
COUNTY OF MERCER)

I, THERESA A. JOHNSON, Village Clerk within and for the Village of Sherrard, in the State and County aforesaid, do hereby certify that:

1. the foregoing constitutes a full, true and correct copy of Ordinance No. _____ of said Village as:
 - (a) introduced before the Board of Trustees on the 9th day of March, 2015; and
 - (b) passed by the Board of Trustees and approved by the President on the 9th day of March, 2015, as fully as the same appears of record in my office;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the Village of Sherrard, Illinois, at my office in said Village this 9th day of March, 2015.

[SEAL]

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Village Clerk