

ORDINANCE 91 - 2

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 74-34, AS AMENDED, SPECIFICALLY ESTABLISHING SPAY/NEUTER PROCEDURES FOR THE ADOPTION OF ANIMALS IN NASSAU COUNTY; PROVIDING PENALTIES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, finds it necessary to provide a specific section of Ordinance 74-34, as amended, dealing with animals and fowl; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds it necessary to add Article IV, which deals with the adoption of animals .

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED this 27th day of November, 1990, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, as follows:

1. ARTICLE IV. ADOPTION OF DOGS AND CATS

A. PROCEDURES

1. The Board of County Commissioners shall adopt, by separate Resolution, fees and procedures for the adoption of dogs and cats. Said fees and procedures shall be reviewed periodically by the Board. The fee shall include an amount necessary deemed adequate to provide---~~for~~ assure the spay/neutering of the dog(s) and cat(s).

2. The Board of County Commissioners shall provide an adoption contract for all persons wishing to adopt any dog or cat.

~~3.---The---Board---shall---contract---with---a---veterinarian---or
veterinarians---to---spay/neuter---dogs---and---cats---placed---for---adoption.~~

43. Subject to the provisions of Article III, the adoption contract shall provide:

(a) The County shall give to the adoptor title, possession and control of the dog(s) or cat(s) for so long as the adoptor(s) complies with the terms of the contract.

(b) The County would retain the right to regain title, possession, and control of the adopted animal(s) until a veterinarian certifies that the required vaccinations, ~~wormings,~~ and surgical sterilization has been completed. The County shall pick-up animal(s) if this certification is not received.

(c) The contract shall provide a provision for the exchange for animals in poor health or those that die of natural causes within a certain period of time.

(d) The contract shall also provide a specific time limit within which the dog(s) or cat(s) shall be taken to a veterinarian ~~and---further---have---specific---time---limits~~ for examination, vaccinations, and sterilization-and-vaccination.

(e) Contract may also have other specific provisions and conditions, as approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

B. FLORIDA STATUTES, 823.15

1. The provisions of Florida Statutes 823.15 are hereby incorporated.

C. Reclaiming of an animal - The provisions as to spay/neutering shall not apply to animal owners who are reclaiming a lost animal and can provide the animal control officer or his designee with sufficient information to indicate ownership of the animal.

D. EFFECTIVE DATE

1. This Ordinance shall become effective pursuant to law.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



JIMMY L. HIGGINBOTHAM
Its: Chairman

ATTEST:



T. J. GREESON
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk