

Pet Lovers and Responsible Owners

The Police Department has been receiving complaints about irresponsible pet owners who allow their animal(s) to run at large in our community. This is not only dangerous to our citizens, but places the animal(s) in a situation where it could be injured or killed. No one wants to see a pet owner lose his or her companion. Please be a responsible pet owner and walk your dog(s) on a leash and clean up after it by carrying a plastic bag for waste deposit. The time will be well spent and it will keep your dog(s) happy and our community healthier.

Everyone is to be reminded that our town and county have several ordinances that effect pet ownership.

1. The owner of every animal(s) is responsible for the removal of excreta deposited on public property, including walks, recreation areas and/or private property. When walking your pet(s), always take a plastic bag with you to clean up waste. This problem is becoming more and more evident in our parks and creates a health concern for our children.

In addition, the owner should not allow the excreta of his or her pet accumulate on his property so as to cause a health hazard. Please remember to take the time to clean up after your animal(s).

2. The owner is also responsible in keeping his or her an animal(s) from running at large. Please keep your animal(s) on a leash or have the ability to demonstrate voice control.

Our officers have been instructed by me to enforce these ordinances upon observing violations and to issue citations. Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated and will go a long way in maintaining a healthier, happier community. Lets work together to keep our community

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