

MOTION 1/45/97

Whereas, dogs running at large have menaced people, damaged property, and created an unhealthy situation by indiscriminately defecating and urinating, and

Whereas, barking dogs have disturbed the peace by incessant barking at all hours of the day and night, and

Whereas Lorain County has adopted no resolutions to regulate dogs, and Section 955.221 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that a township may adopt resolutions to regulate dogs provided that the county has not adopted such resolutions,

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of Amherst Township that Amherst Township shall regulate dogs as follows:

Section I: Chapter 955 of the Ohio Revised Code is in full force in the Township. Chapter 955 is as follows:

Section II: “Premises” in Section 955.22 of the Ohio Revised Code shall not include the road right-of-way.

Section III: Barking or Howling Dogs

- A. No owner, harborer, or keeper shall keep or harbor any dog within the Township which, by frequent and habitual barking, howling or yelping, creates unreasonably loud and disturbing noises of such a character, intensity and duration as to disturb the peace, quiet and good order of the Township. Any person who shall allow any dog habitually to remain, be lodged or fed within any dwelling, building, yard or enclosure, which he occupies or owns, shall be considered as harboring such dog.
- B. Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

Section IV: Dog Defecation

- A. No owner, harborer, or keeper shall dispose of dog feces on any property other than the property of the owner, harborer, or keeper. No owner, harborer, or keeper shall permit feces to remain on the property of another person or in the road right-of-way.
- B. Whoever violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

Motion: Urig

Second: Jiovanazzo

Roll Call: Urig – yes

Jiovanazzo – yes

Abraham – absent