

**ORDINANCE NO. 2021 - \_\_\_\_**

**OF THE TOWN OF WINSLOW, INDIANA**

**AN ORDINANCE FOR THE HUMANE TREATMENT OF ANIMALS  
PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE § 35-46-3**

**WHEREAS**, the Winslow Code of Ordinances does not address the humane treatment of the animal population of the Town of Winslow.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Winslow, Indiana that Title 7 (ANIMALS) is hereby amended to include the following:

**Cruelty/Animal Care**

- A. No person shall beat, torment, overload, overwork or otherwise abuse an animal
- B. Every owner/guardian/caretaker of an animal within the Town of Winslow shall see that his/her animal(s):
  - 1. Is kept in a clean, sanitary and healthy manner and is not confined so as to be forced to stand, sit, lie in or continuously come into contact with its own excrement.
  - 2. Has proper and adequate food, water, shelter and protection from the weather.
  - 3. Is given due medical care and treatment for any obvious or apparent ailments, and if diseased, segregated from other animals so as to prevent the transmittal of disease.
  - 4. If kept in an enclosure, that the enclosure is appropriate to the individual species and/or breed of the animal, and that said enclosure keeps the animal clean and dry, prevents the animal's injury or escape, permits the animal to rest on a solid surface, and has appropriate flooring which does not permit the animals feet or legs to fall through.
  - 5. No person shall willfully or maliciously administer poisonous substances to any animal and/or expose any poisonous substance with the intent that the substance shall be taken and/or consumed

by the animal; however this provision is not meant to prohibit the use of commercially sold poisons for the control of rats, mice, moles or other similar rodents so long as the person administering the poisons takes reasonable care to ensure that domestic pets and livestock are not exposed to the poisons.

6. No person shall tether a domestic pet for more than one hour without immediate access to food, water and shelter, or in such a fashion that violates the sections of this chapter and Indiana State Law.
7. No person shall leave any animal unattended in a vehicle when the conditions in that vehicle would constitute a health hazard to the animal by the exposure of the animal to extreme heat, cold or other dangerous condition.
8. Any person who is the operator of a motor vehicle which strikes or injures any domestic pet should stop at the scene of the accident and report the incident to law enforcement or animal control for the purposes of rendering aid to the animal and identifying the owner.
9. No person shall recklessly, knowingly, or intentionally abandon or neglect any animal within that person's custody, protection or control.
10. A person who violates any provision of this chapter commits an ordinance violation, and shall be fined as follows:
  - A. First offense \$ 50.00
  - B. Second offense \$ 75.00
  - C. Third and subsequent offenses \$100.00