

ORDINANCE 7 – 2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 53. DOGS AND CATS, ARTICLE IV. TRAP NEUTER VACCINATE RELEASE (TNVR) OF THE BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Clayton, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 53. Dogs and Cats, Article IV, Trap Neuter Vaccinate Release (TNVR) Program, Subsection 28(D) is hereby amended to read as follows:

D. Enforcement.

1. The Borough shall have the right to seize or remove cats from a colony that have not been vaccinated against rabies and which are demonstrating signs of the disease; the right to seize or remove a cat from a colony that is creating a nuisance as defined above and the caregiver and sponsor have been given 30 days to remove and relocate the cat and have failed to do so; and the right to seize or remove a colony of cats when the caregiver regularly fails to comply with the requirements of this article and the sponsor has not been able to obtain a replacement or substitute caregiver within 30 days of the Borough's notice to the sponsor of the caregiver's failure to comply with this article. The requirements of this article notwithstanding, animal control officers, police officers and Borough Officials, may investigate any nuisance complaint and take enforcement action they deem necessary to protect the public health and safety.
2. The Borough shall have the right to terminate the approved Community Cat Colony and the Community Cat Caregiver for the Community Cat County based upon failure to comply with the provisions and requirements of this Chapter.

Section 3. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as required by law.

BOROUGH OF CLAYTON

ATTEST:

Thomas Bianco, Mayor

Christine Newcomb, Borough Clerk

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