

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GATE CITY, VIRGINIA, REQUIRING DOGS TO BE KEPT ON THE OWNER'S OR CUSTODIAN'S PROPERTY OR UNDER IMMEDIATE CONTROL BY KEEPING THE DOG ON A LEASH OR OTHERWISE RESTRAINED AND PROHIBITING DOGS FROM RUNNING AT LARGE AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF

WHEREAS, the Gate City Town Council, after due consideration of this matter and after conducting a public hearing giving an opportunity for public comment, finds it appropriate and in the best interest of the Town of Gate City to adopt this ordinance pursuant to the Charter of the Town of Gate City, Virginia and Section 3.2-6539 of the Code of Virginia.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the governing body of the Town of Gate City, the Gate City Town Council as follows:

Section I.

All persons who are the owners or custodians of dogs within the corporate limits of the Town of Gate City, Virginia shall at all times keep the dog on the owner's or custodian's property or under immediate control by keeping the dog on a leash or otherwise restrained. (Code of VA §3.2-6539)

Section II.


All persons who are the owners or custodians of dogs within the corporate limits of the Town of Gate City, Virginia shall at all times take all appropriate and necessary steps to maintain the dog on the owner's or custodian's property or to confine, restrict or pen said dogs so as not to violate the provisions of this ordinance. Any person who permits his dog to run at large or remain unconfined, unrestricted, or not penned up shall be deemed to have violated the provisions of this ordinance. (Code of VA §3.2-6538)

Section III.

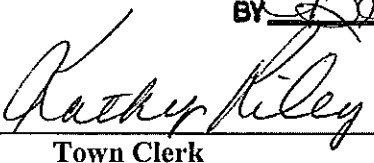
Any person who violates or fails to comply with any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a Class 4 Misdemeanor and fined an amount of not more than \$250.00. (Code of VA §3.2-6587 and §18.2-11)

This ordinance shall be effective on or after the 13th day of SEPTEMBER, 2011.


TOWN OF GATE CITY, VIRGINIA



Mayor



Town Clerk

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