

## TOWN OF CAMBRIA

### ORDINANCE FOR THE CONTROL OF DOGS AND DOG OWNERS AND THE PROTECTION OF PERSONS, PROPERTY AND CERTAIN ANIMALS FROM DOG ATTACKS

ORDINANCE ADOPTED April 5, 1973.

Be it resolved and ordained by the Town Board of the Town of Cambria, Niagara County, New York, as follows:

**Section 1. Purpose** The control of dogs and dog owners and the protection of persons, property and certain animals from dog attacks.

**Section 2. Territorial Application** This ordinance shall apply to all areas in the Town of Cambria.

**Section 3.** It shall be unlawful for any owner or any person harboring any dog in the Town of Cambria **“with intent to cause public inconvenience, annoyance or alarm, or recklessly creating a risk thereof”** to permit or allow such dog to:

- A. Run at large unless said dog is restrained by an adequate collar or leash or unless accompanied by its owner or responsible person able to control the animal.
- B. Engage in habitual loud howling or barking or to conduct itself in such a manner as to habitually annoy any person other than the owner or person harboring the dog.
- C. Cause damage or destruction to property, or commit a nuisance upon the premises of a person other than the owner or person harboring such dog.
- D. Chase or otherwise harass any person in such a manner as reasonably to cause intimidation or to put such person in a reasonable apprehension of bodily harm or injury.
- E. Habitually chase or bark at motor vehicles, bicycles or other vehicles.

**Section 4.** Any person who observes a dog causing damage or destruction to property of a person other than its owner or committing a nuisance upon the premises of a person other than its owner or violating any of the provisions of Section 3 herein may file a signed complaint under oath with a Town Justice of the Town of Cambria specifying objectionable conduct of the dog, the date thereof, any damage caused, a description of the dog and the name and residence if known of the owner or person harboring such dog.

**Section 5.** Upon receipt by the Town Justice of any complaint against the conduct of a particular dog the Town Justice may summon the alleged owner or other person harboring such dog to appear in person before him; if the summons is disregarded the Town Justice may permit the filing of an information and issue a warrant for the arrest of such person.

**Section 6.** Any person who violates this Ordinance or knowingly permits the violation of the Ordinance or of the provisions thereof shall be deemed to have committed an offense against this Ordinance and any person convicted of such violation after investigation and hearing shall be liable to a penalty of not more than twenty five dollars (\$25.00) for each violation.

**Section 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect ten (10) days after its publication and posting as provided by the Town Law of the State of New York.