

LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2012

A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING A LEASH LAW FOR THE HAMLETS & TOWN PARKS OF NEW BALTIMORE AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSAL OF CANINE WASTE THROUGHOUT THE TOWN

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore, County of Greene, as follows:

Section 1. Purpose

The Town Board finds that dogs running at large in the hamlets and Town Parks of New Baltimore pose a risk to the health and safety of its residents. Further evidence demonstrates that canine waste may cause serious health problems throughout the Town.

Section 2. Unleashed Dogs Prohibited

No person keeping, owning or having possession, charge, custody or control of any dog shall cause, or permit, suffer or allow the dog to stray, run, be or go, in any manner at large, to be upon any public property such as but not limited to: street(s), thoroughfare, sidewalk(s), school yard(s) or grounds, public grounds, park(s) or private property, except such dog that may be on public property under control by means of a chain or leash, not longer than six (6) feet in length. This is also to include the private property of others, unless there is express consent of the owner of such private property. This prohibition shall only apply in the Town Parks and in the hamlets of New Baltimore as defined by the town zoning map.

Section 3. Violation and Penalties for Leash Law

A violation of this law shall be punishable by a fine of \$50 for the first offense, \$100 for the second offense, and \$250 for the third or subsequent offense.

Section 4. Removal and Disposal of Canine Waste

A. Removal/Disposal

It shall be the duty of each person who owns, possesses or controls a dog to remove and dispose of any feces left by his/her dog on any sidewalk, gutter, street, park or other public area, or on any private property neither owned nor occupied by said person. No person who owns, possesses or controls such dog shall appear with such dog on any sidewalk, gutter, street, park or other public area, or on any private property neither owned nor occupied by said person, without the means of removal of any feces left by such dog. For the purpose of this section, the means of removal shall be any tool, implement or other device carried for the purpose of picking up or

containing such feces in a manner that such feces shall be unexposed to said person in public. Disposal shall be accomplished at such time immediately after it occurs. Disposal shall be accomplished by transporting such feces to a suitable place.

B. Penalties for Failure to Remove/Dispose

Any person who violates or permits a violation of this law shall be subject to a fine of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) to be assessed for each and every violation.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the Secretary of State.