

- PRESENT:
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| Hon. Ephraim O. Melindo, | Municipal Vice Mayor (Presiding Officer) |
| Hon. Inocencio A. Limbang, | Sangguniang Bayan Member |
| Hon. Elma S. Edias, | -do- |
| Hon. Desiderio C. Romero, | -do- |
| Hon. Narcisa L. Alumbre, | -do- |
| Hon. Rudy S. Dominise, | Presiding Officer Pro-Tempore |
| Hon. Nilo T. Pollescas, | -do- |
| Hon. Victoria S. Ko, | Floor Leader |
| Hon. Oliver B. Atay Sr., | -do- |
| Hon. Daisy A. Limbang, | ABC President, |
| Hon. Nollie Anne V. Ponce, | SK Fed. Pres. |
- ABSENT:
None

"ORDINANCE NO. 99-07
Series of 1999

RABIES PREVENTION AND CONTROL ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Hon. Sangguniang Bayan of Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte in session assembled:

SECTION I. TITLE. This Ordinance shall be known as Rabies Prevention and Control Ordinance of Siayan, Zamboanga del Norte.

SECTION II. DEFINITION OF TERMS. As use in this ordinance, the following terms are hereby defined.

Dog - The term dog shall apply to a specific domestic animal (canis familiares) male or female.

Vaccination Against Rabies - means the inoculation of a dog with a rabies vaccine licensed for the species by the Bureau of Animal Industry, Department of Agriculture. Such vaccination must be performed by a trained individual from the BAI or DOH.

Owner - The term "Owner" shall mean any person keeping harboring or having charge or control of, or permitting any dog to habitually be or remain on or be lodged or fed within such person's house, yard, or premises.

Rabies Control Authority - duly authorized person or persons responsible for enforcement of this Ordinance (Policemen, BAI DOH Personnel, Trained Vaccinator, members of the Municipal Council, etc.)

Has Been Bitten - means has been seized with the teeth, so that the skin of the person has been wounds or pierced including scratches.

Enclosed Premises - means the Owner's house or fenced yard, where other People have no reason to enter except to conduct business or visit with the members of the household.

Restrained - Means teethered, leashed or caged.

SECTION III - Rabies Vaccination.

- A. Every dog 3 months of age and older should be submitted by the owner for vaccination against rabies every (2) years or as indicated on the label/literature of the vaccine, Young dogs shall be vaccinated within 30 days after they have reached 3 months of age.

- B. During free mass dog rabies vaccination campaign, every dog 3 months of age and older should be submitted by the owner for vaccination. Dogs not submitted on the scheduled date or within 3 days thereafter shall be kept off or destroyed under the supervision of the Rabies Control Authority.

SECTION IV. It shall be the duty of each trained vaccination when vaccinating any dog, to complete a certificate of rabies vaccination (in duplicate) for each animal vaccinated. The certificate shall include the following information;

1. Owner's Name, Address and Telephone Number (if any)
2. Description of dog (color, sex, markings, age, name species and breed if any).
3. Dates of vaccination and vaccine expiration (if known)
4. Rabies vaccination tag number
5. Vaccine producer
6. Vaccinator's signature
7. Veterinarian's License number/vaccinator's address

The dog will be provided with a copy of the certificate. The veterinarian/vaccinator will retain one copy for the duration of the vaccination. A durable metal or plastic tag, serially numbered, issued by the veterinarian/vaccinator, shall be securely attached to the collar of the dog.

SECTION V. VACCINATION COST: The cost of rabies vaccines shall be borne by the Local Government Unit. However, the owners shall submit their dogs for registration as provided in this ordinance and pay the corresponding registration fee as determined by the Local Finance Committee.

SECTION VI. Dog Registration or licensing: Every dog shall be registered by their owner upon reaching the age of 3 months and every year thereafter. Invaccinated dogs registered after reaching the age of 3 months and dogs 3 months old and above not previously registered shall be vaccinated upon registration. The dog owner shall pay such registration fee as determined by the finance committee approved by the Sangguniang Bayan at the rate of TWENTY PESOS (P20.00) Per head. The registration officer shall provide the owner with a certificate of registration for the dog and affix to its a distinguishing collar tag as proof of registration.

SECTION VII. Elimination of Unregistered Dogs: Unregistered dogs over the age of four (4) months shall be seized and humanely destroyed under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian or the Municipal Rabies Control Authority base in the absence of registration or vaccination certificate.

The licensed veterinarian/trained vaccinator or the Rabies Control Authority shall give the guidance on the destroying or destruction methods to be used (shooting, poisoning, carbon dioxide or anesthesia overdose or rubbish dumps, open countryside, etc. The licensed veterinarian/trained vaccinator, the Rabies Control Authority or a police may enter any land for the purpose of seizing or destroying a dog which liable to be seized under this section.

SECTION VIII. Reporting of Biting Incidents: The owner of the dog which has bitten any person and the person who has been bitten, shall within 24 hours of the occurrence, report the incident to the Municipal Rabies Control Authority a health worker or a police receiving such information shall immediately transmit it to the Municipal Control Authority for investigation.

SECTION IX. Liability of owners of Biting Dog:

The owner of a dog which has bitten any person shall be responsible for all the treatment and dog examination related expenses incurred by the bite victims unless the bite was inflicted by a restrained and registered dog, or had occurred within the owners enclosed premises, in which case arrangement shall be made between the owner and the bite victims.

SECTION X. Penalties for violation of Ordinance

Any dog owner who fails to abide by any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be subjected a fine of not less than P200.00 or more than P1,000.00.

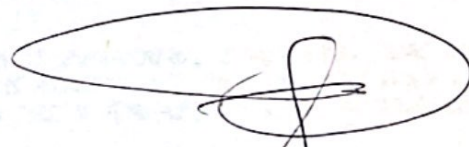
SECTION XI. Enforcement.

It shall be the responsibility of the Municipal Rabies Control Authority to administer this ordinance, and to promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for its implementation. Enforcement shall be the responsibility of the Municipal Rabies Control Authority, defined under Section II of this Ordinance.

SECTION XII. This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its approval, and publication of copies by posting in conspicuous places and shall be posted in the general circulation of any news papers.

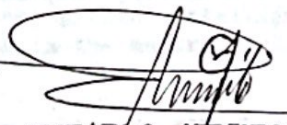
Approved this 5th day of August 1999.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Ordinance.



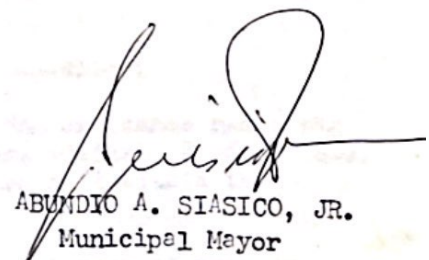
WILFREDO O. DOMPALES
Sang. Bayan Secretary
(Designate)

CERTIFIED CORRECT
AS TO ITS PASSAGE:



EPHRAIM O. MELINDO
Municipal Vice Mayor
(Presiding Officer)

APPROVED:



ABUNDIO A. SIASICO, JR.
Municipal Mayor