

## **The Town of Byron Animal Control Ordinance Requires All Dogs in the Town of Byron To Be Licensed**

**Dog Licenses** are a requirement by State Statute Chapter 174 Dogs, specifically 174.05 Dog License Tax requires the owner of a dog more than 5 months of age on January 1 of any year, or 5 months of age within the license year to annually pay the dog license tax and obtain a license.

The minimum license fee for each neutered male or spayed female dog shall be \$3.00. The minimum license fee for each unneutered male or unspayed female dog shall be \$8.00.

In addition to the established license fee, a late fee of \$5.00 shall be assessed and collected from every owner of a dog over the age of five months who fails to obtain a license prior to April 1 of each year, or within 30 days of inquiring ownership of a licensable dog or if the owner fails to obtain a license on or before the dog reaches licensable age. All late fees collected shall be paid to the Town Treasurer.

When requesting a license the following information should be submitted to the Town Treasurer: name and address of the applicant, description of the animal (name of animal, color, breed and sex), the appropriate fee, certification by a licensed veterinarian that the animal is neutered or spayed (if applicable), and certification by a licensed veterinarian that the animal has received current immunization for rabies (a copy of the rabies vaccination).

### **Kennel Licenses**

Every person who owns or operates a kennel shall apply for a kennel permit.

Kennel permit fees are as follows:

\$30.00 for a kennel of 12 or fewer dogs

\$3.00 for each additional dog over 12

For each dog license issued the Town Treasurer will issue a license tag and a receipt for payment.

Note: a condition of our Animal Control Ordinance is that no person shall own or keep a "Pit Bull" in the Town.