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**PUBLIC NOTICE OF A COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATERLOO**

Pursuant to Section 19.84 Wisconsin Statutes, notice is hereby given to the public and to the news media, that the following meeting will be held.

COMMITTEE: Public Safety & Health Committee – Amended 06/02/2014 @ 9:15 a.m.

DATE: Thursday, June 5, 2014 TIME: 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Police Training Room, Municipal Building, 136 N. Monroe Street

1. Call To Order & Roll Call
2. Meeting Minutes Approval: May 1, 2014
3. Citizen Input
4. Unfinished Business
 - a. Pot-bellied Pigs, 126-2
 - b. W & K Agenda (Chamber of Commerce) 2014 – Street Closure
5. New Business
 - a. Safety on Clarkson Road
 - b. Bicycle Traffic Through The City
6. Future Agenda Items And Announcements
7. Adjourn

Morton Hansen, Clerk/Treasurer

*** See Council Packet

Committee Members: Reynolds, Griffin and Thomas

Printed, Posted, Emailed and Distributed: May 29, 2014

PLEASE NOTE: It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of members of other governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above meeting(s) to gather information. No action will be taken by any governmental body other than that specifically noticed. Also, upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate the needs of disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information or to request such services please contact the clerk's office at the above location.

TO: Public Safety & Health Committee
FROM: Alderperson Lindsay Reynolds
DATE: April 3, 2014
RE: Draft Ordinance & Background – Potbellied Pigs

1. Draft Ordinance -- Creating Section 126-8
Keeping of Vietnamese Potbellied Pigs

2. Draft Ordinance – Amending Section 126-2
Keeping of Poultry and Livestock
Draft

3. Police Departments contacted.

4. Communication from the North American
Potbellied Pig Association, including
registration application.

5. Written outline presented to the Committee
on March 6, 2014

§126-8 Keeping of Vietnamese Potbellied Pigs

- A. Definition: *Vietnamese Potbellied Pig* shall mean purebred Vietnamese Potbellied Pigs which do not exceed one hundred (100) pounds in weight and are kept indoors as domesticated household pets.**
- B. Ownership of one (1) Vietnamese Potbellied Pig is allowed, on the owner's premises, as long as all of the following requirements are met:**
- 1) The animal is neutered/spayed by no more than three (3) months of age.**
 - 2) A license tag is obtained through the city clerk's office. To obtain a license all of the following criteria must be met:**
 - a) The animal has been examined by a licensed veterinarian within a period of thirty (30) days prior to a new, or renewal, license application being filed.**
 - b) The animal has received all required and recommended vaccinations and boosters, including rabies, and that the animal is healthy and free of contagious disease.**
 - c) A veterinarian has provided a signed certificate stating he/she has examined the animal, and has given the required vaccinations, as well as verifying the animal is one hundred (100) pounds or less. The veterinarian also has to confirm that:**
 - d) The animal's tusks, if any, have been removed or trimmed so as to not endanger and person or animal.**
 - e) The animal is registered through the North American Potbellied Pig Association (NAPPA). A completed, and approved, registration certificate or form must be submitted to the clerk's office when applying for a license.**
- C. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep a Vietnamese potbellied pig in the city which has not received a current rabies vaccination and is unlicensed.**
- D. Sections §126-3, §126-4 (F)(G)(H)(I), §126-5, and §126-6 shall be applicable to Vietnamese potbellied pig ownership with the change**

that potbellied pigs are NOT allowed off leash, on public or private property, EXCEPT in an owner's or caregiver's fenced in yard.

- E. Commercial activities, such as breeding and selling, of Vietnamese potbellied pigs is prohibited.**
- F. If violation of any of the above stated code occurs, the same penalties as stated in §126-7 shall apply to Vietnamese potbellied pig ownership.**

§ 126-2 Keeping of poultry and livestock.

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[Amended by Ord. No. 96-1]

No person shall keep or maintain any poultry or fowl or any livestock, such as horses, cattle, sheep or goats, in any zoning district except agricultural districts, except that ponies and horses may be permitted in any residential district as a conditional use provided that the residential parcel contains at least two acres of land which is designated "floodplain" per animal available for pasture, maintenance or running of said animal, and further provided that any such animals are contained within a fence, no part of which is closer than 200 feet to any residence other than the residence of the owner of the animals.

***No person shall keep or maintain any poultry or fowl or any livestock such as, but not limited to, horses, cattle, sheep, goats, and farm hogs/swine, in any zoning district except agricultural districts...**

Police departments contacted:

- 1) Mt. Pleasant: No complaints involving potbellied pigs.**
- 2) Kenosha: Talked to Public Information Officer Lt. Brad Hetlet. In his 28 years on the force there have been zero complaints involving potbellied pigs.**
- 3) Racine: Talked to the Public Information Officer. He said he does know for sure there are owners of potbellied pigs in the city, and for as long as he has been on the force, there have been zero complaints.**
- 4) Neenah: Talked to officer Cory McKone. He informed me he spoke to all of the officers. The only complaint received was 1.5 years ago. A potbellied pig was playing in the owner's fenced in yard and rolling in the mud. A neighbor called and complained that the mud smelled. The officer arrived, talked to the owner, and met the pig. He found the owner was not violating any of the ordinances, there were no sanitation concerns, and he noted there was no offensive smell that he could notice. No action was taken.**
- 5) Little Chute: Talked to Lt. Mark Hallman. He informed there have been zero complaints about potbellied pigs. He did mention he met a potbellied pig and its owner once. He said the pig was the size of a cat and that it was no different than a dog regarding its behavior.**

I spoke to the president of the North American Potbellied Pig Association (NAPPA). She sent information about the registration site they provide and answered questions that I had. The registration form is included in this packet, and the communications between her and me are below:

Hi Lindsay,

NAPPA is the oldest PBP organization we encourage pet owners to have them registered we store info into our database. This will help in case they are lost or stolen too. We send out an application followed by a certificate with a number that is vet verified by owners vet.

There are many registered pet therapy pigs from Pet Partners. In past there has been a few PBPs who have detected tumors in humans, but not certified service animals to my knowledge. Some medical doctors have given owners medical papers to allow owners to use their pet pigs for certain conditions in humans but have not gone through any program to become a service animal. .

Hope this helps. Thank you for all you do.

Take Care.

Pam

From: Lindsay <kittymania8@gmail.com>

To: elliemaymun007@yahoo.com

Sent: Tuesday, March 25, 2014 9:15 PM

Subject: Re: Potbellied pigs

Hi Pam.

Thank you for the info.

Just a couple more questions.

1) If I were to write in a requirement a pbp owner has to register their pig with the N.A.P.P.A., to be able to own it in Waterloo, is that easy to do and is it necessary? There are some municipalities that require that and some that don't. Also, what is the point behind registering them?

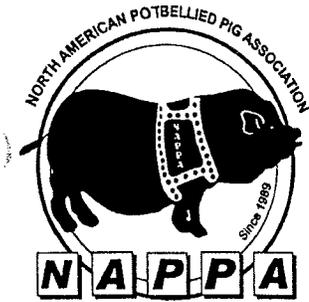
2) Have there been pbps used as service animals? I ask this because I worked with an owner at a vet clinic who had a possum (yes, really) as a pet and registered service animal trained to detect seizures. So, I am looking at a possible angle that would make people see they are useful and intelligent indoor companions.

Again, thank you for your help.

Take care,

Lindsay Reynolds

Sent from my Kindle Fire



Application for Registration

NORTH AMERICAN POTBELLED PIG ASSOCIATION

Pig's Information

Full Name _____ Nickname _____

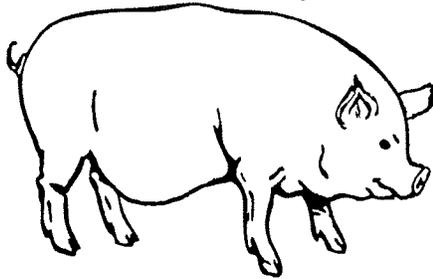
Date of Birth: _____ Date Pig Acquired: _____ Height: _____ Weight: _____

Primary Breed _____ Secondary Breed _____

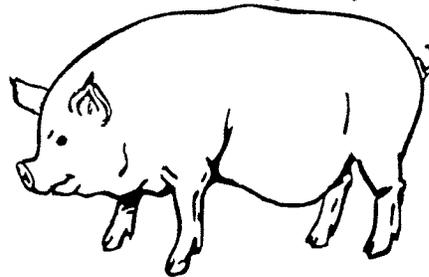
Altered? _____ Permanent ID Method/Number: _____

Markings

Right side of body



Left side of body



How many pigs are in your household? _____

Owner's Information:

Full Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone Number: _____

Breed Standard verified by: _____ DVM

Veterinarian's Phone: _____

I (we) hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given on this application is true and accurate

Signature: _____ Date: _____

- In my (quick) search I found three Wisconsin municipalities and one county that have laws on allowing ownership of pot belly pigs. (The specific ordinances, cities, as well as the web links are in the packet.)
- Almost all of the municipalities in, predominately, central and southern Wisconsin had no language pertaining to p.b.ps. The only city I found that has an ordinance not permitting ownership of p.b.ps. was the City of Milwaukee.
- The municipalities that did permit p.b.ps. have weight limits and have a set number of pigs permitted, as well as banning the practice of breeding for pleasure or to make money by selling p.b.ps. The owners are required to follow the same laws as if they owned a dog.
- Contacted the League of Municipalities (608-267-2380) asking what municipalities in the league have ordinances about pot belly pigs. They are emailing me with the results and information.
- Contacted the Town of Mukwonago about their ordinance. I am waiting for the call back.
- Contacted Logan Martin, the Community Development head for the Village of Mount Pleasant, and asked about their ordinance allowing pot belly pigs. I am waiting for the call back.
- Contacted Dr. Simon Peek of the UW Veterinary Teaching Hospital, specialist of pot belly pigs (his credentials are listed in the packet). Asked many questions about the care and requirements of owning pot belly pigs, also if they are similar to farm hogs (and if they are at risk for the same diseases as farm hogs). The interview, with both my questions and his answers, is in the packet.
- Talked to some actual owners of p.b.ps. and found their diet/nutrition requirements are different than farm hogs. They require specialized food that meets their dietary needs. One owner spends \$200 per week on organic pot belly pig food that she orders from a specialty company. (Point being they are more sensitive than farm hogs and require specialized care.)
- The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture-Trade and Consumer Protection defines p.b.ps. as commercial swine ONLY if they meet this definition:
 "Swine that have been fed raw or cooked commercial garbage; vaccinated for pseudorabies that are moving directly to slaughter or are traveling to a laboratory."
 If they do not meet this definition of "commercial swine", they are considered "transitional swine". "Transitional swine" are identified as "feral swine that are captive or have reasonable opportunities to be exposed to feral swine".
 Based on this definition, and from what Dr. Peek told me, current day miniature pot belly pigs do NOT meet this definition because the likeliness of fully domesticated, indoor p.b.ps. coming into contact with commercial, or farm, swine/hogs is almost non-existent.

dwelling unit in the City. The owner or keeper of a pig shall properly water and feed it at regular intervals and shall keep the premises occupied by it in a sanitary condition.

http://www.ci.waukesha.wi.us/c/document_library/get_file?folderId=50905&name=DLFE-4648.pdf

Iowa County Animal Regulations:

375.11 Pot-bellied Pigs—Licensing Required.

- a. Definition of Pot-bellied Pig: a purebred Vietnamese potbellied pig registered through a North American potbellied pig registry and which does not exceed one hundred (100)pounds in weight.
- b. All pot-bellied pigs must be licensed by nine (9) weeks of age.
- c. All pot-bellied pigs kept as pets must be spayed or neutered.
- d. Permit required for breeding purposes per section 375.10.
- e. Tusks must be removed on all male pot-bellied pigs.
- f. Owners of pot-bellied pigs must meet all state and/or local requirements for care and control.

<http://www.ichs.net/files/5513/6177/0175/Iowa County Animal Regulations and Treatment.pdf>

DVM Simon Peek

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Education

- Clinical Professor of Large Animal Internal Medicine, Theriogenology, and Infectious Diseases
- BVSc, MRCVS 1990, University of Bristol, UK
- Ph.D. 1998 Cornell University
- Diplomate of American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine

Research

Dr. Peek has published in numerous areas of large animal internal medicine, especially in the fields of infectious disease pathogenesis and neonatology.

Responsibilities

Dr. Peek is actively involved in the didactic, laboratory and clinical instruction of senior students in large animal internal medicine, theriogenology and food animal production medicine.

Clinical Interests

Dr. Peek has clinical interests in infectious diseases of cattle, horses and New World Camelids, particularly neonates and diseases of the gastro-intestinal tract, liver and nervous systems.

Graduate Training

Dr. Peek received his veterinary degree from the University of Bristol in the United Kingdom and completed residencies in large animal internal medicine and ambulatory medicine at Cornell University. He also holds a PhD in medicine from Cornell University.

Recent Publications

Peek SF, Semrad SD, McGuirk SM, Riseberg A, Slack JA, Marques F, Coombs D, Lien L, Keuler N, Darien BJ. A prospective study examining the effect of two different plasma types on survival in septic and critically ill neonatal foals. *Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine*. 20, 3:569-574, 2006.

Peek SF, Santschi E, Livesey M, Prichard MA, McGuirk SM, Brounts S, Edwards RB. Jejunal hemorrhage syndrome in dairy cattle – Surgical findings and outcome- 31 cases 2000-2007. *Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association* 234 (10), 1308-1312. 2009.

Hardefeldt LY, Keuler N, Peek SF. Incidence of transfusion reactions to commercial equine plasma. *Journal of Veterinary Emergency Medicine and Critical Care*. 20 (4), 421-425.2010.

Peek SF, McGuirk SM, Gaska J, Ravi M, Bell C, Pinkerton MA. Idiopathic pericardial effusion as a precursor to epicardial lymphosarcoma in three cows. *Journal of Veterinary Internal Medicine*. 26 (4) 1069-1072. 2012.

1) Are they comparable to dogs regarding care?

-They are viewed by the veterinary profession equal to a medium (100 pounds or less) size dog, unless they are obese. Their ability to be potty trained is equal to that of dogs, if not greater. They have the equal intelligence of a 3-4 year old human.

2) How clean are they as pets?

-They are incredibly clean. If the owner gives proper care, and just like dogs, practices good grooming habits, a pot belly pig is no different than a dog. The most frequent healthcare they require is hoof and teeth trimming.

3) Are owners of pot belly pigs more aware and responsible for care requirements than, say, dog owners are of dogs?

-Yes. When a person owns a p.b.p. they go above and beyond. In aspects of care they make a greater effort to keep their pig healthy. In terms of care they put a lot of effort in finding specialists in the vet care field, and they make sure the pig is getting proper nutrition and nutrient requirements. Because they are seeking to own an exotic animal, they do a lot of research BEFORE they obtain one so they can provide above average care for it. I will add this is why owners become frustrated when searching for a vet that specializes in p.b.ps., because they don't feel their current veterinarian is providing the quality of care for the pig they expect. In my experience p.b.p. owners are more aware of their pig's health than *some* dog owners are of their dog.

4) Is p.b.p. ownership increasing in popularity?

-I first came to this country in 1991. Since 1991 I have seen the amount of p.b.p. ownership remain stable. I HAVE seen an increase though in the ownership of TRUE miniature pot belly pigs.

5) Do p.b.ps. present the same dangers as farm hogs, as in health/disease dangers?

- (Very passionately he answers) NO. P.b.ps. are NOTHING like farm hogs. They do not pose the same dangers regarding diseases, and the spreading of contagious diseases is VERY limited because they do not have access or communication with traditional farm swine. They also require FEWER vaccinations than farm hogs do, and they are a very hearty animal with few health problems. They are traditionally kept as indoor domesticated pets, so communication with farm hogs, in the pig's lifetime, is very unlikely.

-One more thing he mentioned is that weight limits, as well as limits on how many p.b.ps. can be owned in a city, are becoming common in municipal codes today. He also mentioned Chicago and New York recently are changing and now allow p.b.p. ownership.

Waterloo City Hall

From: Lindsay [kittymania8@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, June 01, 2014 8:29 PM
To: Randie Lange
Cc: cityhall@waterloowi.us
Subject: Fwd: Re: Public Safety and Health Committee meeting

Randie,
I apologize. I received this email from Ron just a little bit ago.
Thank you.
-Lindsay

Sent from my Kindle Fire

From: Ron Griffin <griffinrepair@gmail.com>
Sent: Sun Jun 01 19:00:23 CDT 2014
To: Lindsay <kittymania8@gmail.com>
Cc: thomastr2000@yahoo.com
Subject: Re: Public Safety and Health Committee meeting

A couple of items would be for safety on Clarkson Rd. We have a lot of traffic with vehicles that seem to travel over the limit a lot of times with lots of people that walk and ride their bikes with little to no shoulder. We also have a lot of bikes that ride 2 & 3 across through town and don't move over for traffic.

Ron

On May 30, 2014 10:17 AM, Lindsay <kittymania8@gmail.com> wrote:

Ron and Tim,
Do either one of you have any agenda items for the upcoming Public Safety meeting?
Thanks.
-Lindsay

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