

First Reading: August 19, 2025
Second Reading: dispensed

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-071

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2013-112 AND PROVIDING A FINE FOR
DOGS ROAMING AT LARGE, DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND READING AND
DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 955.221 grants a board of township trustees the authority to adopt and enforce resolutions to control dogs in the township when the board of county commissioners has not adopted regulations to control dogs in the unincorporated areas of the county;

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County has not adopted regulations to control dogs in Hamilton County;

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2013, the Township passed Resolution 2013-112 which provided for specific prohibitions and penalties regarding dogs roaming at large, which included under Section 2 of Resolution 2013-112 that violators were to be fined not less than twenty-five dollars or more than one hundred dollars on a first offense, and on each subsequent offense shall be fined not less than seventy-five dollars or more than two hundred fifty dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to amend Section 2 of Resolution 2013-112 to be consistent with Chapter 955 regarding dogs and violations of Township prohibitions related thereto, as well as the penalty provisions contained in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 2929;

WHEREAS, this Resolution amends Resolution 2013-112, which is attached hereto;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Resolution No. 2025-071 shall amend Resolution No. 2013-112, as follows:

Section 1. No owner, keeper or harbinger of a dog shall permit or allow the dog to roam at large on, over or across public streets, parks or grounds within the limits of Sycamore Township. No owner, keeper or harbinger of a dog shall permit or allow the dog to roam at large on, over or across private property not the property of the owner, keeper, or harbinger of the dog without the permission of the owner or occupant of the property.

Section 2. Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 955.99(K) and 2929.28, whoever violates this Resolution is guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than one hundred fifty dollars for each offense. Each day of continued violation constitutes a separate offense.

SECTION 2.

The Trustees of Sycamore Township upon at least a majority vote do hereby dispense with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize the adoption of this resolution upon its first reading.

SECTION 3.

Upon the unanimous vote of the Sycamore Township Trustees, this Resolution is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare of Sycamore Township. The reason for the emergency is to provide for safe streets and properties in Sycamore Township.

SECTION 4.

It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

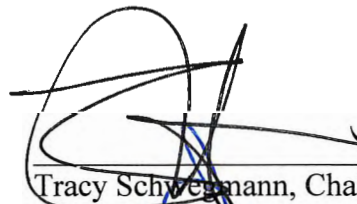
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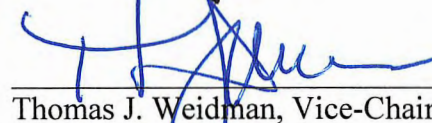
This Resolution shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

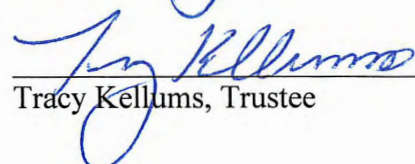
VOTE RECORD:

Mr. Kellums Aye Ms. Schwegmann Aye Mr. Weidman Aye

Passed at a meeting of the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township this 19 day of August, 2025.

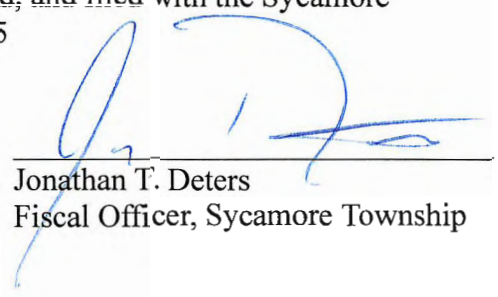

Tracy Schwegmann, Chairman


Thomas J. Weidman, Vice-Chairman


Tracy Kellums, Trustee

AUTHENTICATION

This is to certify that this resolution was duly passed, and filed with the Sycamore Township Fiscal Officer, this 19 day of August, 2025



Jonathan T. Deters
Fiscal Officer, Sycamore Township

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Lawrence E. Barbieri, Law Director

First Reading: July 18, 2013
Second Reading: dispensed

RESOLUTION NO. 2013 - 112

**A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING DOGS ROAMING AT LARGE, DISPENSING WITH
THE SECOND READING AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

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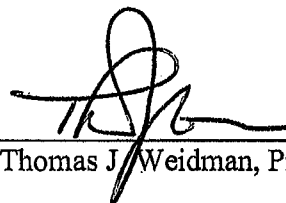
SECTION 3. The Trustees of Sycamore Township upon at least a majority vote, do hereby dispense with the requirement that this resolution be read on two separate days, and hereby authorize the adoption of this resolution upon its first reading.


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VOTE RECORD:

Mr. Bishop Aye Mr. Connor Aye Mr. Weidman Aye

Passed at a meeting of the Board of Township Trustees of Sycamore Township this 18th day of July, 2013.

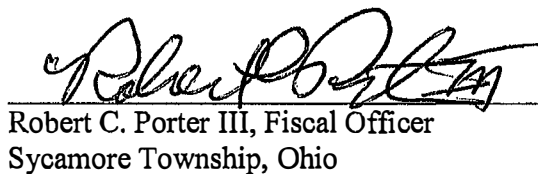

Thomas J. Weidman, President


Cliff W. Bishop, Vice President

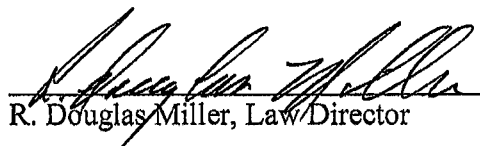

Dennis W. Connor, Trustee

AUTHENTICATION

This is to certify that this resolution was duly passed and filed with the Township Fiscal Officer of Sycamore Township this 18th day of July, 2013.


Robert C. Porter III, Fiscal Officer
Sycamore Township, Ohio

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


R. Douglas Miller, Law Director