

The Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton

Ordinance 15-2008

BY: Mayor & Commissioners

INTRODUCTION: August 6, 2008

ADOPTED: August 20, 2008

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

Code of the Town of Elkton
Title 6
Chapter 6.08
Keeping of Livestock and Fowl

FOR THE PURPOSE of amending the Code of the Town of Elkton, Title 6, by the addition of Chapter 6.08, to prohibit the harboring of livestock and fowl and setting forth a civil penalty for committing said act, which shall be adopted by the Town through a resolution of the Mayor and Commissioners.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Maryland, Article XI-E; Article 23A, Annotated Code of Maryland; and the Charter and Code of the Town of Elkton, provide the authority under which the board of Commissioners may adopt, repeal, and/or amend the ordinances of the Town of Elkton; and

WHEREAS, livestock interrupts the peace and tranquility of the residents through noise and odors which subsequently creates hardship on joining property owners; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners have determined that harboring livestock and fowl within the Town shall be declared a civil infraction and subject to the penalties provided under Article XIV., § C14-1., B., Charter of the Town of Elkton.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of Elkton hereby ordain that:

Section 1: The Code of the Town of Elkton, Title 6, shall be amended to include Chapter 6.08 – Keeping of Livestock and Fowl, and shall be read as follows:

Code of the Town of Elkton Title 6 Chapter 6.08 Keeping of Livestock and Fowl

§6.08.010 Keeping of Livestock and Fowl

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep, harbor or house, whether as a pet or for eventual sale or consumption, or for any other purpose, any animals commonly known as farm animals, including but not limited to, chickens, roosters, ducks, geese, pigs, hogs, donkeys, mules, horses, cattle, goats, sheep, oxen, or any other animal or fowl suitable for slaughter or for the production of milk, eggs or fiber within the limits of the Town of Elkton.

§6.08.020 Violation – Penalty

A violation of any provision of this chapter shall be deemed a civil infraction and shall be punished as provided under Article XIV., § C14-1., B., Charter of the Town of Elkton.

DATE OF EFFECT

THIS ORDINANCE shall be effective on the 9^{th} day of <u>September</u>, 2008.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands and seals, and adopted Ordinance 15-2008, attached hereto, this **20**th day of **August**, **2008**.

AFFIRMING

Mayor Joseph L. Fisona Commissioner Mary Jo Jablonski Commissioner Earl M. Piner, Sr. Commissioner Charles H. Givens, Sr. Commissioner C. Gary Storke