

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE WAKULLA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AMENDING SECTION 6.010.2, WAKULLA COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES PERTAINING TO APPEALS FROM DECISIONS MADE BY THE WAKULLA COUNTY DIVISION OF ANIMAL CONTROL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Wakulla County (the "County") has determined that it is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Wakulla County to ensure that the individuals hearing appeals of decisions made by the Wakulla County Division of Animal Control meet specified qualifications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF SECTION 6.010.2, WAKULLA COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES. Section 6.010.2, Wakulla County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended, as follows:

Sec. 6.010.2. ~~Dangerous animals appeal board.~~ ANIMAL CONTROL APPEAL BOARD. An appeal board consisting of five (5) ~~members~~ persons who are residents of Wakulla County shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners to review decisions of the Division of Animal Control as required under the Wakulla County Animal Control Ordinance, including, but not limited to, the initial classification of an animal as dangerous. The membership of the Animal Control Appeal Board shall include the following: one member knowledgeable in the area of animal behavior; one member with a law enforcement background; one member licensed to practice veterinary medicine in the State of Florida; one member knowledgeable in the area of

~~public health; and one citizen member. the initial classification of a dog as dangerous by the animal control authority The appeals board will hear appeals filed pursuant to section 6.010(c) of the Wakulla County Code. The appeals board shall consist of citizens knowledgeable in the areas of animal behavior, law enforcement, and/or public health.~~

(underlined words are added, ~~stricken~~ words are deleted)

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, section or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason or cause, the remaining portion of said Ordinance shall be in full force and effect and be valid as if such invalid portion thereof had not been incorporated herein.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. A certified copy of this Ordinance shall be filed in the Department of State within ten (10) days after enactment by the Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners and the Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.
PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2010.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA**

By: _____
HOWARD KESSLER, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:

BRENT X. THURMOND, Ex Officio
Clerk to the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Heather Encinosa, Esq.
County Attorney