

ORDINANCE NO. 200

An Ordinance Concerning Animals and Poultry.

Be It Ordained By The Board of Trustees of The Town of Rico, Colorado:

Section 1. Abusing Dumb Animals Forbidden. No person shall inhumanly or unnecessarily beat, injure or otherwise abuse any dumb animal.

Section 2. Hogs Not To Be Kept In Town. No person shall keep any hogs or pigs within the limits of the Town of Rico. No person shall erect or maintain any public corrals or rabbitries within the limits of this Town except with the permission of the Board of Trustees.

Section 3. Chickens and Other Poultry Shall Not Run At Large. The running at large of any chickens or other poultry within this Town is hereby declared a nuisance and any person who, being the owner or having the care or custody of any poultry, shall permit the same to run or be at large shall be held to be the author of such nuisance.

Section 4. Stables Or Sheds Where Animals Are Kept Shall Be Maintained In Clean Condition. Any stable, stall, shed or apartment or any yard or appurtenance thereof in which any horse, cow, sheep, goat, mule, donkey or hog or any other animals shall be kept, or any other place in the Town in which manure or liquid discharges of such animals shall collect and accumulate, and which stable, stall, shed, apartment, yard or appurtenance thereof is not kept in a clean wholesome conditions so that no offensive smell shall be allowed to escape therefrom is hereby declared to be a nuisance; provided that nothing in this section shall be construed to include manure deposits upon any private property for the purpose of cultivating same.

Section 5. Manure, How Kept And Disposed Of. Every person, firm or corporation that occupies or controls any lot, corral, barn, stable, shed, building or other place where horses, cattle, sheep, goats, mules, donkeys, swine or any of them, are kept or fed within this Town, shall provide and maintain upon such premises a tight covered box, bin or vault of suitable capacity for receiving and holding the manure produced or brought on such premises; the cover of such box, bin or vault shall be screened with wire screen of sufficient fineness so as to not permit the admission of flies therein. The manure shall be moved at least once a week and taken beyond Town limits; provided that the manure may be used within the Town limits when it has been thoroughly saturated or mixed with lime, chloride of lime or petroleum. The presence of maggots when used within the Town limits, shall be sufficient evidence that it has not been

thoroughly saturated or mixed with any of the above named substances, and therefore shall be considered a violation of this Ordinance.

Section 6. Animals Driven Through Town Must Not Trespass On Private Lots. No owner or person in charge of horses, cows or other animals loosely driven through the streets of this Town, shall permit said animal or animals to trespass upon private lots or grounds.

Section 7. Horses And Other Animals Shall Not Run At Large. No horses, cattle, sheep, goats, mules or donkeys or swine shall be permitted to run at large within the limits of the Town of Rico, nor shall any such animal be herded or picketed upon any street, alley or public ground within the limits of the Town, nor shall any such animal be so picketed upon any private ground as to enable or allow it to trespass upon any street, alley, sidewalk or public ground within the Town, and any person being the owner of any such animal or animals, who shall suffer the same to run or be at large or who shall picket the same contrary to the provisions of this section, shall be deemed the author of a nuisance, and shall, on conviction, be fined in a sum not less than two nor more than fifty dollars and costs in each case.

Section 8. Animals Found At Large. Whenever any such animals shall be found running at large, or herded or picketed in a manner prohibited by the foregoing section, it shall be the duty of the Town Marshall to notify the owner or the person who has charge of said animals to remove them out of the incorporated limits of the Town of Rico immediately. If said animals are not removed, the owner or person who has charge of said animals shall be subject to a minimum fine of \$5.00 to \$50.00 or ten (10) days in jail for each case.

Section 9. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 10. That whereas, it is the opinion of the Board of Trustees that this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate protection and preservation of the public health, safety, convenience and general welfare, and it is enacted for that purpose and shall be in full force and effect upon the expiration of five days after publication hereof.

Passed, adopted and approved this 7th day of June 1956, and ordered published by posting in the following public and conspicuous places within the Town of Rico, Colorado:

1. Engel Mercantile Company
2. Town Hall
3. Rico Cafe

ATTEST:

Helen D. Hicks
Town Clerk