

**BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

ORDINANCE 2025-5

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 115: “ANIMALS” OF THE
BOROUGH’S REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES TO INCREASE THE
ANNUAL DOG LICENSE FEE FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 1987.**

Mayor Gubitosi offered the following Ordinance and moved its introduction:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Bradley Beach (the “Borough”), as a municipal corporation, is empowered by the New Jersey Revised Statutes to issue and administer certain licenses and approvals, including the licensing of dogs within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, from time-to-time, it is necessary for the Borough to increase certain fees to reflect increased cost(s) to the Borough of administering the applicable service or regulation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:19-15.12, the “governing body of each municipality may, by ordinance, fix the sum to be paid annually for a dog license and each renewal thereof ... which sum shall be not less than \$1.50 or more than \$21.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has charged \$7.00 for an annual dog license since 1987, and now finds it necessary to increase said fee to \$12.00 to reflect the current cost(s) to the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach, County of Monmouth, and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 115-2: “Dog Regulations” of Chapter 115: “Animals” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Bradley Beach is hereby amended as follows (stricken text indicates deletions):

CHAPTER 115: ANIMALS

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§ 115-3 License Fee; License Required.

A. The annual dog license fee, which is due January 1, shall be as follows:

- (1) Annual license fee payable to the Borough of Bradley Beach: ~~\$7~~\$12.
- (2) Annual registration fee payable to New Jersey State Board of Health: \$1.
- (3) Pilot Clinic Fund Fee payable to New Jersey State Board of Health: \$0.20

- (4) Surcharge on every non-spayed and non-neutered dog, payable to New Jersey State Board of Health: \$3. An owner presenting a certificate signed by a licensed veterinarian or a notarized statement signed personally, certifying that his or her dog has been sterilized is exempt from the three-dollar surcharge.
- (5) Late fee, which is due after March 1: \$10.

SECTION 2. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of The Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Bradley Beach are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

SO ORDAINED as aforesaid.

ERICA KOSTYZ, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

ALAN GUBITOSI
Mayor

Introduced: January 21, 2025

Date of Hearing and Adoption: February 4, 2025