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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The calendar says it is spring and that means it is time to license your dog in Adams.

Town Clerk Haley A. Meczywor announces that dog licenses for the present year are now for sale at her Town Hall office. The cost of a non-spayed female dog or a non-neutered male dog is \$20. The price for a spayed female dog or neutered male dog is \$8.

The Town Clerk notes that all puppies age 3 months and older must be licensed, and all dogs over the age of 6 months must have an active rabies vaccination in effect in order to obtain a license. No licenses can be issued without proof that the dog has received a rabies shot. In addition, if the animal is newly spayed or neutered a statement from the veterinarian must be presented to receive the lower priced license. Dog licenses are due each April 1 and must be purchased annually. Licenses not purchased by June 15 are subject to a \$10 late fee in addition to the cost of the license.

Dog owners are reminded of several other town by-laws concerning their animals. Section 14-3 of the by-laws requires “dog owners, keepers and persons otherwise in charge to physically restrain their dogs by leash when they are not on the owners property”.

Section 14-5 requires a dog’s owner to remove any feces left by the animal.

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