



City of Ewart

5814 100th Avenue

Ewart, Michigan 49631

Phone: 231-734-2181

Fax: 231-734-3917

www.ewart.org

Interim City Manager

Treasurer/Assessor

Sarah Dvoracek

sarah.dvoracek@ewart.org

City Clerk

Heather Pattee

cityclerk@ewart.org

Department of Public Works

Director/Zoning

Administrator/Airport

Manager

Mark Wilson

mark.wilson@ewart.org

Chief of Police

John Beam Jr.

john.beam@ewart.org



March 26, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members
From: Sarah Dvoracek, Interim City Manager

SD

Re: Dog Licenses

Currently, the City of Ewart issues dog licenses for the county. Each month, the money is distributed to the county, in return the county returns a small portion to the city. During the 2017-2018 fiscal year, the city sold \$502.00 in dog licenses, and received \$92.00 back from the licenses sold. Currently for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, the city has sold \$363.00 in licenses and received \$61.00 from the county for the sale of those licenses. The dog licensing software used to provide these licenses has an annual service/support fee of \$161.00.

It takes approximately 10 minutes to issue a dog license for a customer, while each month, it takes approximately 45 minutes to run reports and distribute the licenses to the county. The money the city receives from selling dog licenses does not justify the cost of the annual fee. Even though this is a convenient service we currently offer to both residents and non-residents, it is not conducive to a productive work day.

It is my recommendation for the city to discontinue selling dog licenses immediately.