

County of Aroostook

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

RYAN D. PELLETIER

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR

JOHN W. GIBSON

December 13, 2024

Mr. A J Thorne
208 Monument Road
Amity, ME 04472

Re: ACO Agreement for Cary Township

Dear Mr. Thorne,

Once again, I would like to thank you for providing Animal Control services for the County of Aroostook in Cary Township. I am confident that you will hold the citizens of Cary Township accountable for their responsibility with regards to their pets, mainly dogs.

Enclosed is an Animal Control Officer Contract for Cary Township for the one-year period of January 01, 2025 to December 31, 2025. I would ask that you review it closely, sign, have witnessed and then return back to my office. I will then present the contract to the County Commissioner's for their approval. Once approved, I will have the County Administrator sign the agreement on behalf of the County of Aroostook. A completed copy will then be mailed back to you

Best regards,



John Gibson
Community Services Director
Unorganized Territory, County of Aroostook
144 Sweden Street, Suite 1
Caribou, ME 04736

Pc: Darcy Oliver, Hodgdon Town Manager
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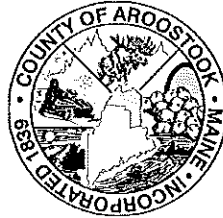
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Animal Control Contract Agreement

County of Aroostook (CARY TOWNSHIP)

This agreement dated this _____ day of January 2025 and executed by and between the County of Aroostook on behalf of the inhabitants of Cary Township by the Aroostook County Administrator herein after referred to as the “County”, and AJ Thorne, herein after referred to as the “Contractor”. In consideration of mutual covenants made herein, the parties agree as follows;

The Contractor agrees to:

1. Respond in a timely manner to complaints concerning animal problems or violations and ensure that the Animal Welfare laws are enforced.
2. Ensure that dogs six months of age or older are currently licensed with the Municipality of Hodgdon.
3. Inspect kennels in accordance to “Maine’s Rules Setting Minimum Standards for: Pet Shops, Shelters, Kennels, and Boarding Kennels”.
4. Respond to reports of an animal suspected of having rabies and ensure that the procedures established in 22 MRSA section 1313-A and “Rules Governing Rabies Management” are carried out.
5. Issue warnings or summons regarding animal control cases as required by State Laws, rules and regulations and municipal ordinances.
6. Appear in court to testify regarding animal cases.

The County agrees:

1. To pay the Contractor the sum of \$1,000.00 per year payable in one payment; first scheduled UT warrant date in December 2025.
2. To pay \$10.00 for each time an animal is transported to the Houlton Animal Shelter by the Contractor; ACO.
3. To pay \$0.67 per mile (Federal IRS Rate) for each mile that the Contractors ACO uses a vehicle while working on ACO related issues in Cary Township.

4. To be paid within two (2) weeks from date invoice is received at the County of Aroostook for any missed work due to court appearance, or long-lasting investigations/removals at the agreed upon amount of minimum wage.

5. The term of this contract is for January 01, 2025 to December 31, 2025.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties to this present have executed this contract each of which will be deemed an original on the _____ day of _____ 2025.

WITNESS

AJ Thorne, ACO

WITNESS

Ryan D. Pelletier, County Administrator

Filed with Fiscal Administrator _____, 2025