

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR DOG OWNERS

Reminder: Your pet's 2011 license expires on January 31, 2012, and State Law requires that you obtain an annual license at the beginning of each year. You may obtain a 2012 dog license during the months of **January and February** in either of two ways: you may apply in person at the Clerk's Office or by mail. If applying by mail please write "Dog License" on the envelope and provide a stamped, self-addressed envelope (1stamp for 1-2 licenses, 2 stamps for 3-4 licenses). If you no longer have your dog or if your telephone number is unlisted, please let us know, so we may change our records. A late fee of \$25 per dog begins on March 1.

The fee for the 2012 license is \$12.00 for an altered dog, \$15.00 for a non-altered dog. Remember that your pet's rabies vaccination must be valid through November 1, 2012 per state (NJAC 8:23A 4.1) code. If your dog's rabies vaccination expires before November 1<sup>st</sup> and you pay by mail your check will be returned to you. Also, if your dog medically can not receive a rabies inoculation before November 1<sup>st</sup> your veterinarian can fill out a CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION FROM RABIES VACCINATION form available from our office; or download a form at <http://www.state.nj.us/health/forms/vph-28>. There will be a free rabies clinic offered on Saturday, January 21, 2012 from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the Municipal Garage, corner of Route 202 and Wertsville Road. **If you wish to pay for your license(s) at the clinic, please bring a stamped, self-addressed envelope with you at that time.** Tags will be mailed. Any questions call the Clerk's Office at 782-8536 ext. 10.

NOTE: If you are not available to go to the Rabies Clinic on January 21<sup>st</sup>, other municipalities hold rabies clinics, and they are free to all NJ residents with their pets. You will receive the required proof of vaccination. For other Rabies Clinic dates and locations, please call 908-788-1351 or visit [www.co.hunterdon.nj.us](http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us) and click on Environmental Health.