

Animal Control

Steve Bragg

Contracted Animal Control Officer

Steve Bragg has served as the Animal Control Officer for the City of Beatrice since February 2009. Bragg enforces the ordinances governing the care and keeping of domestic and wild animals within the City of Beatrice. The Animal Control Officer will also respond to emergencies assisting the Beatrice Fire and Rescue and Police Department personnel with bites, vicious strays, injured animals, and suspected rabies cases.

To report an animal complaint or suspected violation, please call the Beatrice Police Department Non-Emergency Dispatch line, (402) 223-4080.



Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

(Bragg is on call to assist the Beatrice Police Department after hours and weekends as required)

Some of the duties of the Animal Control Officer include:

1. Protecting the citizens from dangerous or hazardous animals;
2. Investigating reports or complaints of dogs, cats, or other animals creating nuisances and take appropriate action;
3. Promoting responsible pet ownership;
4. Ensuring the safe capture and handling of animals including injured and stray animals;
5. Capturing and impounding small domestic animals found running at large within the corporate limits of the City in compliance with the Beatrice City Code;
6. Investigating complaints concerning violations of the City's animal ordinances and take such steps as are necessary to administer and enforce said ordinances;
7. Investigating complaints concerning animal abuse and neglect and take appropriate actions; and

8. Collecting and properly disposing of small dead animals (except domestic livestock) found upon city streets, alleys, avenues or other property owned or controlled by the City. In most cases, if requested by property owners, the Animal Control Officer will collect dead non-domesticated small animals for disposal.