

Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Ilocos Norte  
SOLSONA

**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN**

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> JOINT REGULAR SESSION OF THE 7<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG BAYAN AND THE ASSOCIATION OF BARANGAY COUNCILS OF SOLSONA, ILOCOS NORTE HELD IN ITS SESSION HALL ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2007 AT NINE O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Jonathan L. de Lara,	Vice Mayor, Presiding Officer,
Hon. Ismael L. Agulay,	Member,
Hon. Christopher A. Curameng, Jr.,	Member,
Hon. Jose A. Martin,	Member,
Hon. Bob G. Sacro,	Member,
Hon. Francis Gerald L. Ganotisi,	Member,
Hon. Dixie C. Miguel,	Member,
Hon. Andresito A. Luis,	Member,
Hon. Lorenzo M. Pascua,	Member,
Hon. Jovencio M. Pascua,	ABC President.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

17 Barangay Chairmen.

**ABSENT:**

Hon. Lucky S. Sanchez, SK President.

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2007-560**

**AN ORDINANCE ON THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF AVIAN INFLUENZA OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SOLSONA, ILOCOS NORTE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES IN VIOLATION HEREOF.**

On motion of Hon. Dixie C. Miguel, unanimously seconded by all the members present, be it  
ORDAINED, by the Sangguniang Bayan of Solsona, Ilocos Norte in session, that:

**ARTICLE I**

**SECTION 1. TITLE** - This ordinance shall be known as "THE AVIAN INFLUENZA PREVENTION AND CONTROL ORDINANCE" of the MUNICIPALITY OF SOLSONA.

**SECTION 2. APPLICABILITY** - This ordinance is enacted for the purpose of preventing and controlling possible entry/outbreak of Avian Influenza in the municipality.

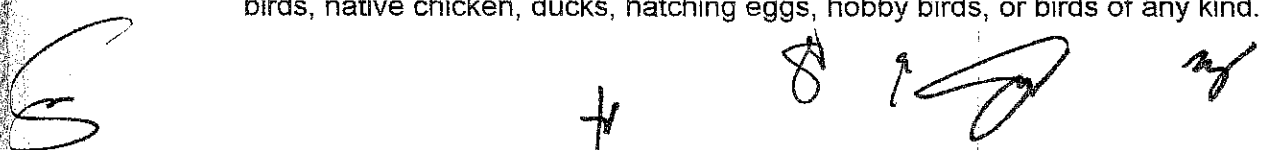
**SECTION 3. OBJECTIVE AND PURPOSE**

- To prevent the entry of Avian Influenza, thus ensuring public safety.
- To protect the local livestock industry and other related industries.
- To promote and protect the health, safety and general welfare of the residents.

**SECTION 4. SCOPE AND COVERAGE** - This ordinance shall be enforced within the territorial jurisdiction of the municipality.

**SECTION 5. DEFINITION OF TERMS** - For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms and phrases shall apply:

- Avian Influenza - an infectious disease in chickens, ducks and other birds caused by different subtypes of the influenza virus.
- Fowl/Poultry - includes marketable broilers, culls, day old chicks, pullets, game birds, native chicken, ducks, hatching eggs, hobby birds, or birds of any kind.



- c) Exotic Birds - any bird species or subspecies which do not naturally occur in the Philippines.
- d) Poultry Holding Facilities - includes commercial farms, backyard units, hatcheries, processing plants, slaughterhouses, aviaries, feed mills, cockpits, and public markets.
- e) Migratory Bird - birds that migrate from one country to the other country.
- f.) Threat – means while there is a suspected case of avian influenza. In commercial farms 3% mortality rate incidence of the total population is noted daily. Sampling has been taken but yet to be confirmed in diagnostic laboratories.
- g) RADDL - Regional Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory

#### **SECTION 6. CREATION OF THE MUNICIPAL AVIAN INFLUENZA TASK FORCE (MAITF)**

– The Municipal Avian Influenza Prevention and Control Task Force shall be formed and shall be the main authority to oversee the implementation of the provisions of this ordinance and other related activities as maybe provided by the rules and regulations and guidelines promulgated by higher authority or mandated by the national laws. The Task Force is hereby constituted as follows:

- Chairperson - Municipal Mayor
- Co-Chairperson - Municipal Vice Mayor
- Members:
  - All Sangguniang Bayan Members
  - Municipal Health Officer
  - Municipal Disaster Coordinating Council
  - Philippine National Police Representative
  - Municipal Agriculturist
  - Association of Barangay Council President
  - Barangay Health Workers
  - Poultry Raisers Association President
  - LGO Officer
  - Meat Vendors Association President

**SECTION 7.1. CENSUS** - The Task Force shall conduct a census of all livestock and poultry holding facility, poultry species, poultry population density, facility owner/operator, location, poultry disease profile, biosecurity practices, vaccination programs and veterinarians in charge.

**SECTION 7.2. NEGATIVE REPORTING** - The Task Force shall assist the national/regional surveillance group in the conduct of surveillance in their locality. They shall help in the identification of poultry holding facilities and encourage participation of holding facility owners/operators in the surveillance and reporting. Serological Surveillance must be conducted twice a year in the backyard/commercial farms and other susceptible fowls.

The Task Force likewise assists BAI in enforcing requirements covering the local transport of animals, including poultry and poultry by products, as covered by BAI Memorandum dated July, 2004. This activity shall be enforced in coordination with the local PNP Station.

**SECTION 7.3. INFORMATION DISSEMINATION** - The Task force shall conduct regular information campaigns.

**SECTION 7.4** The Task Force shall formulate additional rules and policies for the prevention and control of Avian Influenza.

**SECTION 8. PROHIBITION**

a. Prohibition on Sale and Possession - It shall be prohibited for any person to engage in trade or have possession of any exotic species of poultry wildlife. It shall be accordingly penalized as stipulated in Chapter IV (Illegal Acts) of RA 9147. This

activity shall be enforced in coordination with the authorities of the DILG - LGU Bureaus of the Local PNP Station. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess/own or keep unregistered exotic birds for whatever purposes.

**SECTION 9. OTHER PROHIBITIONS** - The LGU shall assist in the implementation of the following additional prohibitions to safeguard against Avian Influenza:

- a) Prohibitions on sale of live chicken in the market while there is a threat of Avian Influenza.
- b) Prohibition on placing chicken, ducks and pigs together in the same area, cages or pens.
- c) Prohibition on chicken to roam freely when there is a threat of avian influenza.
- d) Prohibition of hunting, handling and control of migratory birds

**SECTION 10. SUSPECTED AVIAN INFLUENZA CASES**

a) Reporting - The farm veterinarian or farm owner shall immediately report to the BAI, RFU - DA or Task Force any occurrence of one (1) day mortality of 3% (based on house population) in the case of commercial farms or any unexplained mortality of poultry in two or more households within a barangay or "purok" in a span of two (2) days in the case of backyard farms. The Task force and the RADDL technician shall conduct investigation/Blood collection within 24 hours.

b) Movements Control. The Local PNP, upon notice from the local chief, shall enforce movement control. Farm personnel are not allowed to leave the suspected premises unless with approval from the head of Avian Influenza Task Force. Likewise, poultry, products and by products, farm equipment and feeds shall not be allowed to leave the suspected premises.

c) Proper Handling - The identified birds positive with the virus should be buried with a maximum of six (6) feet below the ground at the area which is not prone to flood.

**SECTION 11. VACCINATION** - The Municipal Health Officer shall assist in immunizing veterinarian, laboratory staff, medical health workers and poultry farm personnel. The local veterinary technician shall assist in the conduct of poultry vaccination in areas identified by the Avian Influenza.

**SECTION 12. MOBILIZATION OF BARANGAY HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (BHERT).**

To maximize efforts at the grassroots level, the organized BHERT, pursuant to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2003-95 dated May 7, 2003 shall be mobilized to provide assistance to LGUs in the implementation of the Local Avian Influenza Prevention Program.

**ARTICLE II: PENAL PROVISION**

**SECTION 1.** Any Violation to the above provision except Section 8, Article 1, shall be penalized in the following manner:

First Offense - Php 1,000.00 fine

Second Offense - 2,000.00 fine or an imprisonment of not less than one (1) month or both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court

**ARTICLE III: SEPARABILITY CLAUSE**

**SECTION 1.** If, for any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional and invalid, other part or provisions hereof which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

**ARTICLE IV: EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE**

**SECTION 1.** This ordinance shall take effect after the required publication and posting pursuant to Section 511 of the Local Government Code.


Copies of this Municipal Ordinance be furnished the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Laoag City and all agencies concerned for their information and appropriate action;

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, with the following votes:

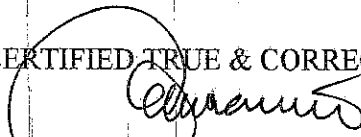
Infavor - Hons. Agulay, Curameng, Martin, Sacro, Ganotisi, Miguel, Luis, L. Pascua and J. Pascua;

Against - None.


ATTESTED:

  
HON. JONATHAN L. DE LARA  
Vice Mayor/Presiding Officer

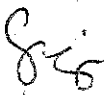
CERTIFIED TRUE & CORRECT:

  
GLORIA S. ESPIRITU  
Administrative Assistant II

APPROVED:

  
HON. JOSEPH E. DE LARA  
Municipal Mayor  
Date 09/12/07

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