Ordinance 7.11 Bicycles, Registration and Operation (R46.10)

THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF PARK RIDGE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section I. REGISTRATION

- 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a bicycle upon any street in the Village of Park Ridge unless said bicycle is registered said tagged as herein provided.
- 2. Registration shall be made by filing with the Constable the name and address of the owner, together with a complete description of the bicycle on forms provided of the said Constable. Registration shall be serially numbered and kept on file in the said Constable's office as a public record. Upon such registration the said Constable shall cause an identification tag to be affixed to the rear of the bicycle registered, serially numbered to correspond to the registration number. such tag shall remain affixed to the bicycles unless removed by said Constable for cause or for retagging upon registration. In case of theft or loss, a new tag shall be issued for a fee of twenty-five cents.
- 3. Registrations shall continue in effect to December 31st, inclusive, of each license year. Registration Period will be from January 1st to March 1st of each year. All bicycles shall thereupon be registered in like manner.
- 4. No bicycle shall be registered which is in unsafe mechanical condition. The Constable shall have authority to suspend the registration of and remove the identification tag front any bicycles operated contrary to any state law or village ordinance or operated while in unsafe mechanical condition, such suspension and removal to continue for a period not to exceed ten (10) days, provided that such bicycle is in an unsafe mechanical condition. Such suspension and removal shall be in addition to other penalties hereunder.
- 5. No person shall willfully remove, deface or destroy any such identification tag.
- 6. Within ten (10) days after an bicycle registered hereunder shall have changed ownership, or been dismantled and taken out of operation, the person in whose name the bicycle has been registered shall report such information to the Constable. In case of changed ownership the registration shall thereupon be changed to show the name of the new owner. In case of dismantling and taking out of operation, the registration shall be canceled, and identification tag returned to the Constable.

Section II. OPERATION

- 1. No person shall ride or propel any bicycle upon any part of-any public street, highway-way, boulevard, or alley in such manner as to interfere with the rights of other persons using such street, highway, boulevard or alley.
- 2. No person shall ride or propel a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley except in a careful and prudent manner, nor shall any, person propel or operate a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley while carrying thereupon another person upon such bicycle.
- 3. No bicycle shall be ridden upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley at a speed faster than is reasonable and proper under traffic conditions existing at the time, and every bicycle shall be operated with due regard to the safety of the operator and other persons upon the streets, highways, boulevards and alleys of the city.
- 4. Persons riding or propelling bicycles shall observe all traffic signs and signals and stop when and as required by such Signals and signs.
- 5. No bicycle shall be operated on any street, highway, boulevard or alley during any period of time from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise without a headlight visible from the front of

such bicycle, for not less than 200 feet, which device shall be firmly attached to said bicycle and properly lighted, nor without an adequate lighted red tail light, or in lieu thereof, an adequate reflector attached to and visible from the rear of such bicycle from a distance of not less than 200 feet.

- 6. Every bicycle when operated upon a highway shall be equipped with a brake adequate to control the movement of and to stop such vehicle whenever necessary. Such brake shall be maintained in good working order at all times.
- 7. Every bicycle when operated upon a highway shall be equipped with a horn or bell in good working-order, capable of emitting sound audible under normal conditions for a distance not less -than 100 feet, and it shall be unlawful for any bicycle to be equipped with a siren or whistle, or to use any bell or horn otherwise than as a reasonable warning other users of the highway.
- 8. No person under the age of twelve years shall operate a bicycle upon .-any street, highway, boulevard or alley between one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise.
- 9. No person shall operate a bicycle upon any public street highway, boulevard or alley abreast of or to the left of another person operating a bicycle except while passing such vehicle.
- 10. Every person on riding a bicycle upon any public street, highway, boulevard or alley shall observe all traffic rules and regulations of the Village, and shall turn only at intersections as permitted by such rules and regulations, signal for all turns and stops, ride at the right hand side of the street or highway as near as may be to the street curb, pass to the left when passing vehicles or bicycles that are slower ,moving and on the right side when meeting. It shall be unlawful to do any trick riding on any street, highway, boulevard or alley or to operate a bicycle without both hands on the handlebars.
- 11. Bicycles are permitted to ride on the sidewalks in the Village of Park Ridge. Every person operating a bicycle upon a sidewalk shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian and shall exercise due care and given an audible signal when passing a bicycle rider or pedestrian proceeding in the same direction.
- 12. Each owner or person applying for registration of a bicycle under this ordinance shall be given instruction by the Village Constable on the operation of bicycles.

Section III. FINES

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be fined not more than \$25.00 and in default of payment of such fine shall be imprisoned in the County Jail for a period of not more than thirty days, or the bicycle shall be impounded for a period not to exceed thirty days.

Section IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed and adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Park Ridge on this first day of January, 1996.