

CHAPTER 15 - PARKS

ARTICLE I

REGULATIONS

**15-1-1 DESTRUCTION OF PARK PROPERTY.** Within the municipal parks, no person except park personnel on official business shall:

- (A) cut, break, injure, destroy, take, or remove any tree, shrub, timber, plant, or natural object;
- (B) kill, cause to be killed, or pursue with intent to kill any bird or animal except in areas where the City has authorized hunting;
- (C) willfully mutilate, injure or destroy any building, bridge, table, bench, fireplace, guidepost, notice, tablet, fence, monument, or other park property or appurtenances.

**15-1-2 LITTERING - WATER POLLUTION.**

- (A) No person shall deposit any trash within the municipal parks except in proper receptacles where these are provided. Where receptacles are not provided, all trash shall be carried away from the parks by the person responsible for its presence and shall be properly disposed of elsewhere.
- (B) No person shall discharge or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountain, lake, stream, or other body of water in or adjacent to any park or in any tributary, stream, storm sewer or drain flowing into such waters any substance or thing, liquid or solid which will or may result in the pollution of the waters.

**15-1-3 FIRES IN PARKS.**

- (A) No person shall light or use any unenclosed picnic fire within the municipal parks. Fires may be built only in fireplaces or on grills constructed for that purpose in designated areas.
- (B) In camping areas, no person shall leave any campfire unattended by a competent person.
- (C) Every person who has lighted or used any fire in a municipal park shall extinguish such fire before leaving the park.

**15-1-4 PICNICS.** No person shall picnic in the municipal parks except in areas designated for that purpose. Park personnel are hereby authorized to regulate the activities in such areas when necessary to prevent congestion or to secure the maximum use, comfort, and convenience of all. Visitors shall comply with any directions given to achieve this end.

**15-1-5 ERECTION OF STRUCTURES.** No person shall build or place any tent, building, booth, stand, or other structure in or upon any municipal park or other recreational facility unless he has obtained a permit to do so from the City.

**15-1-6 SIGNS.** No person shall place within any municipal park or affix to any object therein any sign or device designated to advertise any business, profession, exhibition, event or thing unless he has obtained a permit to do so from the City.

**15-1-7 ANIMALS.** No person shall:

- (A) bring any dangerous animal into any municipal park; or
- (B) permit any dog to be in any park unless such dog is on a leash; or
- (C) ride or lead any horse in any municipal park or recreational area except upon paths or other ways expressly provided and posted for that purpose.

**15-1-8 MOTOR VEHICLES PROHIBITED.** No person other than municipal personnel on official business shall drive or park any motor vehicle, including snowmobiles, in any municipal park except on a roadway or parking lot.

**15-1-9 SALES; AMUSEMENTS FOR GAIN.** Within the parks of this Municipality, no person shall, without having first obtained permission from the City or Park Board:

- (A) sell or offer for sale any goods or services; or
- (B) conduct any amusement for gain or for which a charge is made.

**15-1-10 GROUP ACTIVITIES.** Whenever any group or organization desires to use municipal park facilities for a particular purpose such as picnics, parties, exhibitions or performances, a representative of the group shall first apply for and obtain a permit for such activity from the Mayor.

**15-1-11 PERMIT REQUIRED.** Whenever any group or organization desires to use municipal park facilities for a particular purpose such as picnics, parties, exhibitions or performances, a representative of the group shall first apply for and obtain a permit for such activity from the Parks and Recreation Board.

**15-1-12 APPLICATION FOR PERMIT.** Applications for all permits required by this Chapter shall be made in writing to the Mayor not less than seven (7) days before the proposed date of the activity for which the permit is sought. Each application shall include the following information:

- (A) A statement briefly describing the nature of the proposed activity;
- (B) name, address and telephone number of the person or organization wishing to conduct such activity;
- (C) the date when such activity is to be conducted;
- (D) the hour when such activity will start and terminate;
- (E) the park or portion thereof for which such permit is desired; and
- (F) an estimate of the anticipated attendance.

**15-1-13 DECISION ON PERMIT APPLICATION.** After due consideration of the information contained in the permit application, but not later than seven (7) days after the application has been filed, the Mayor shall determine whether the application is satisfactory. An application shall be deemed satisfactory if:

- (A) the proposed activity or use of the park will not unreasonably

- interfere with or detract from the general public enjoyment of the park;
- (B) the facilities desired have not been reserved for other use at the day and hour requested in the application;
- (C) the conduct of such activity will not substantially interrupt the safe and orderly movement of traffic;
- (D) the proper policing of such activity will not require the diversion of so great a number of police officers as to prevent normal protection to the remainder of this Municipality;
- (E) the conduct of such activity is not reasonably likely to cause injury to persons or property or to incite violence, crime or disorderly conduct; and
- (F) such activity is not to be held for the sole purpose of advertising any product, goods, or event, and is not designed to be held purely for private profit.
- (G) The proposed activity will not create hazards that would subject the City to liability not covered by its insurance policies or an indemnity bond furnished by the applicant.

**15-1-14 ISSUANCE OR DENIAL OF PERMIT.**

- (A) Notification by regular mail or by telephone shall be made promptly by the Mayor to every permit applicant of the decision on his application.
- (B) If such decision is favorable, the Mayor shall issue the permit. As a condition of the issuance of any permit, the Mayor may require that an indemnity bond be obtained if, in their opinion, such bond is necessary to protect this Municipality from liability or to protect municipal property from damage.
- (C) The Mayor shall inform each applicant who has been denied a permit regarding the reasons for the denial and the procedure for appeals.

**15-1-15 HOURS.** The City Council shall establish the hours of operation of the municipal parks. No one shall be in the park without the Mayor's permission after the established hours.

- (A) **Mae Whitaker City Park Hours.** The Park is closed from 6:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M. Central Standard Time. No person is allowed to be present in the Park during the closed hours.
- (B) **Violation.** The City of Bunker Hill Police Department is authorized to issue anyone found in the park during the closed hours an Ordinance Violation requiring payment of a fine.
- (C) **Fine.** The fine for the first violation shall be Seventy-five (\$75.00) plus Court costs for the first violation and a fine of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) plus Court costs for any person having been found to have violated the Ordinance on more than one occasion. (Ord. No. 2013-02; adopted 1/9/2013)

**ARTICLE II**

**CITY LAKE REGULATIONS**

**15-2-1 Boating and Fishing Regulations.** All State and Federal laws concerning boating and fishing shall be enforced concerning the use of the lake.

- (A) No gasoline or diesel engines will be permitted on the lake.
- (B) No parking on the boat ramp after launching of boats.
- (C) No littering will be permitted
- (D) No swimming will be allowed in the lake.

**15-2-2 Vehicle Parking, Etc.** The following regulations and rules shall be applicable to the lake:

- (A) Park only on shoulders of roadway and parking lots designated by signs.
- (B) No parking in circle by turn-around at end of the road by the lake.
- (C) No vehicle shall travel anywhere in the park except on the oiled or graveled roadway.
- (D) Speed limit for all vehicles in the park shall not exceed 15 mph.
- (E) The sale or use of alcoholic beverages of any kind shall not be permitted.
- (F) No firearms, pellet guns or BB guns shall be allowed in the park.
- (G) The use of bow and arrows shall be restricted to target shooting only and in an area so designated by signs.
- (H) Do not cut trees or damage any of the plants or dig or pick any flowers or remove any trees by digging.
- (I) Put all trash in receptacles before you leave your area.
- (J) Campfires are to be built in camping areas only, except where concrete pits are constructed for this purpose.
- (K) No fireworks allowed in park except by written permission of the City Council.
- (L) No admittance after dark unless campers have permission of the Police Department.
- (M) Self-contained campers or recreational vehicles shall not be permitted.
- (N) The curfew law as adopted by the City Council in Chapter 14 shall be in effect on park and lake property.
- (O) All persons not camping shall be out of the park by 11:30 PM unless given permission by the police department or Mayor.

**15-2-3 Camping.** Camping shall be permitted in designated areas at the new lake park. Camping shall be allowed only if the camper follows these rules:

- (A) parking of campers are recreational trailers shall be permitted only on pads provided. Signs of shall indicate that area.
- (B) Campers with tenants may can't only in area provided for them. Signs will indicate the area.
- (C) No loud or unusual noises shall be permitted after 10:00 PM. Respect your fellow campers at all times. Keep your pets quiet.
- (D) The dog leash law shall be in effect at all times.

- (E) Campfires shall be small so there will be no damage to bushes or people camping near you.
  - (F) Put out campfires before leaving.
  - (G) Clean the area when you are there and clean up before you leave.
  - (H) Place all garbage and containers provided for the same.
  - (I) A permit fee of two (\$2.00) dollars for campers and trailers and a two (\$2.00) dollar fee for tents shall be required before you are allowed to camp in the park.
  - (J) Burn only deadwood. Do not cut any trees or bushes for burning.
  - (K) Do not cut or destroyed any trees, bushes, flowers or plants, or remove any plants or trees from the park by digging them up and removing them.
  - (L) Do not harm wildlife nor shall anyone trap in the area.
- (Ord. No. 74-09; enacted 7/1/1974)