

LEGAL NOTICE

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ORDINANCE NO. 770

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING CITY PARKS AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF WITHIN THE CITY OF LYNDON, KANSAS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LYNDON, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. CITY LAWS EXTENDED TO PARK. The laws of the city shall extend to and cover all city parks, including but not limited to, Jones Park.

SECTION 2. POLICE JURISDICTION OVER PARKS. The city chief of police and law enforcement officers of the city shall have full power to enforce city laws governing city parks and shall maintain order therein.

SECTION 3. DAMAGING PARK PROPERTY. It shall be unlawful for any person, except duly authorized city employees, to willfully or wantonly remove, injure, tarnish, deface or destroy any building, walk, bench, tree or improvement or property of any kind belonging to any park owned by the city.

SECTION 4. DANGEROUS WEAPONS NOT ALLOWED.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b), it shall be unlawful for any person to carry or have in his or her possession any firearm or dangerous weapon or to shoot or discharge the same within the limits of any city parks.

(b) The provisions of subsection (a) above shall not apply to duly authorized law enforcement officers in the performance of official duty.

SECTION 5. HUNTING. It shall be unlawful for any person to pursue, catch, trap, maim, kill, shoot or take any wildlife, either bird or animal, in any manner at any time while in any city park.

SECTION 6. FIRES. It shall be unlawful for any person to build or kindle any fire in any city park except in stoves or grills.

SECTION 7. CAMPING PROHIBITED. Overnight camping is hereby prohibited in city parks except where posted.

SECTION 8. SANITATION. All waste material, paper, trash, rubbish, tin cans, bottles, containers, garbage and refuse of any kind whatsoever shall be deposited in disposal containers provided for such purposes. No such waste or contamination material shall be discarded otherwise. No sticks, stones, trash or other objects shall be thrown or discarded in or on any park lands, fountains, pools, drinking fountains, sanitary facilities, or other improvements.

SECTION 9. PRESERVATION OF NATURAL STATE. It shall be unlawful for any person, except duly authorized city employees, to take, injure, or disturb any live or dead tree, plant, shrub, or flower, or otherwise interfere with the natural state of city parks.

SECTION 10. GENERAL REGULATIONS. The city may post rules and regulations, as are approved by the Governing Body, pertaining to the use of the city parks in a conspicuous place in each city park. Violations of these posted rules shall constitute a violation of this ordinance.

SECTION 11. SMOKING PROHIBITED; EXCEPTIONS. It shall be unlawful and a violation of this ordinance to smoke anywhere in any city park except for lawful parking areas. This prohibition shall include, but is not limited to, in and around any ball diamond, swimming pool, restrooms, playground, tennis court, walking trail, football stadium/facilities, shelter houses or other park facilities.

SECTION 12. PENALTIES. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined a sum not to exceed Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).

SECTION 13. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in direct conflict with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 14. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Osage County Herald-Chronicle.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Council this 4th day of October 2010.

/s/JEFF BRONSON, Mayor

Attest:

/s/Barbara J. Schattak, City Clerk

EDITOR: Please publish one time on October 14, 2010 and return proof of publication to this office and one copy to the City Clerk, P.O. Box 287, Lyndon, KS 66451. Thank you.

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