

Ordinance 08-2022

Parks and Recreation

Chapter 151 Parks and Recreation
Article I

151-1 Enforcement of the regulation pertaining to parks and playgrounds.

All public grounds acquired by the Town of Lonaconing for the purpose of public parks or playgrounds shall be under the protection of the Town and its police or Code Officer and other law enforcement agencies. Shall see that all provisions of this Code and other ordinances of the Town relating thereto are enforced.

151-2 Park Rules – Injury or removal of Property.

No person shall injure, deface, remove or destroy and grass plot, tree, shrubbery, flower, fence, bench or other improvement or property with any public park or playground of the Town of Lonaconing.

151-3 Improper language or behavior.

No person shall use any profane or indecent language or behave in an offensive manner in any public park or playground of the Town of Lonaconing or upon the sidewalks adjoining and Public Park or playground.

151-4 Throwing stones or other objects, engaging in dangerous games.

No person shall knock or throw any stones missiles into or upon any public park or playground of the Town of Lonaconing or engage in any games or play likely to be dangerous to persons visiting therein.

151-5 Miscellaneous rules and regulations pertaining to Town parks and property.

The following rules and regulations shall apply to all parks, parklets, playgrounds and other outdoor recreational facilities, which are open for use by the public and owned by the Town of Lonaconing, which are collectively hereinafter referred to as “parks”.

- (a) **Park closure.** All parks shall be closed between the hours of 11:00pm and 7:00am. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Town Lonaconing administrator shall have the authority to extend the hours of any or all of the parks for special events.
- (b) **Tobacco use.** Unless a particular area in a park is designated by the Mayor or Town Council as being an area which tobacco use is permitted, said designation to be indicated by signage, tobacco use, including smoking, vaping, and the use of smokeless tobacco products, is prohibited.
- (c) **Alcohol.** Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in any parks or playgrounds.

- (d) **Vehicle use and parking.** No vehicles may be driven or parked on any town parks or ballfields, unless given permission by town administrator or town council. Parking is only in designated areas.
- (e) **Picnic tables use.** Picnic tables are available on a first come, first serve basis.
- (f) **Movement of equipment.** Tables, benches and other movable equipment and furnishings may not be moved without the approval of the town administrator or town council.
- (g) **Garbage disposal.** Refuse, litter, and garbage must be placed in trashcans provided throughout the parks or removed from the parks grounds and properly disposed of by the Town of Lonaconing.
- (h) **Animals.** Are not permitted in any park unless they are leashed. The animals' owner are responsible for picking up, bagging and disposing of their animals' droppings. The feeding or housing of animals in parks is prohibited, except for the feeding and or trapping of animals pursuant to animal control measures and/or programs authorized by the mayor and city council.
- (i) **Soliciting.** Soliciting is prohibited in the parks.
- (j) **Fires.** Fires are not permitted. Unless approval from the town administrator or town council.
- (k) **Camping.** Camping is not permitted, unless approval from the town administrator or town council.
- (l) **Bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades.** Bicycle use is permitted on roadways only unless trails are designated for such use. Bicycles, skateboards, and rollerblades and other wheeled modes of transport, excluding those used to transport disabled persons, are prohibited.

Removal of persons. Persons violating the rules set forth in this section or the other provisions of this "Parks and Recreation Chapter of the Code or otherwise participating in illegal activities in the parks may be removed from a park and /or banned from future use of the parks.

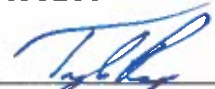
151-6 Violations and penalties.

A. First Offense: \$200.00

B. Subsequent Offenses: \$250.00

Passed this 6th day of March, 2023.

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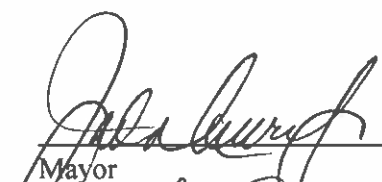


Town Clerk

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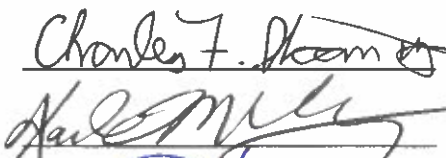
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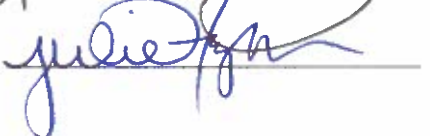
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