

ORDINANCE NO. 15, 2017

AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER 547 TO THE ST. BERNARD CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO UPDATE THE LAWS RELATING TO PARKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Council of St. Bernard intends update the Village laws relating to health and safety by adding chapter 547 Parks to the St. Bernard Codified Ordinances; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF ST. BERNARD, STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. Chapter 547 Parks is hereby added in its entirety, and that the new chapter shall be enacted and added to the St. Bernard Codified Ordinances and shall be recorded in its entirety to read as follows:

Chapter 547
Parks

547.01 Definitions

As used in this section, the following terms shall mean

- a) "Dawn" means one half hour after sunrise.
- b) "Dusk" means one half hour before sunset
- c) "Parks" means any and all land owned or controlled by the Village of St. Bernard for recreational use.
- d) "Person" includes persons, corporations, schools and organizations.
- e) "Public Event" means a group activity including, but not limited to, a performance, meeting, assembly, contest, exhibit, ceremony, festival, parade, athletic competition, reading or picnic for which a specific space is reserved. It is an activity where the general public is invited, allowed or encouraged to attend. This definition shall not include casual park use by visitors.
- f) "Private Event" means an activity restricted to members of a family, organizations, group or by invitation only.

547.02 General Provisions

A) Explosives, Firearms and Weapons

1) Unless otherwise permitted by law, No person, except a police officer or peace officer, shall bring into or have in his or her possession in any park, any firearms. No person shall bring into or have in his or her possession in any park, any slingshots, air guns, bow and arrow, firecrackers, missile propelling instruments or explosives, including any substance, compound, or mixture having properties of such a character that alone or in combination with other substances, compounds or mixtures, propel missiles, explode or decompose to produce flames, combustion, noise, or noxious or dangerous odors.

2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a licensed fireworks exhibitor or the proper use of cigarette lighters, matches or of charcoal lighter fluid in proper containers in picnic grills where permissible pursuant to this ordinance.

B) Fires.

1) No person shall start a fire in the park except small fires for cooking in park grills, or grills authorized by the service director.

2) No person shall leave unattended any fire, ember, or burning briquette. Any fire, ember or burning briquette shall be continuously under the care and direction of an adult until such time as it is extinguished.

3) No person shall dump hot ashes or fire onto the ground, grass, plants, garbage containers or restroom areas.

2) Unless authorized by the Service Director, no person having charge or control of or connected with any event or activity played or conducted in, on or upon any park or public playground shall solicit voluntary donations from persons witnessing or participating in such event or activity to pay any charge for admission to such park or playground or occupy seats or any shelter.

547.07 Shelter/Picnic area rental.

1) Shelters will be available for rental during the last weekend in April and continuing through October. The Service Director has the discretion to close or make shelters available beyond this time frame.

2) All outdoor picnic areas/shelters are available for rental on a first come first served basis. Only persons obtaining a permit shall use the shelters or picnic areas.

3) A complete list of rules and regulations are available at City Hall.

547.08 Recreation facilities and fields

1) Fields are available for use through permit from the Recreation Department. Only persons or organizations obtaining a permit may use any recreation fields.

547.09 Severability

Each section and part of a section of these rules and regulations is an independent section or part and the holding of any section or part as unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable as a result of a ruling of a court of competent jurisdiction or any other cause does not affect the validity of any other section or part.

547.99 Penalties

1) Violation of any section of this ordinance shall result in ejection or suspension from all parks in the Village of St. Bernard.

2) Unless otherwise provided for in the codified ordinances of St. Bernard or Ohio R.C. violation of any section is a minor misdemeanor.

Section 2. That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety. The reason for the emergency is the immediate need to update the Codified Ordinances of St. Bernard. Therefore, this Ordinance shall take effect immediately by and upon its passage, and the approval of two-thirds of the members of said Council. However, this Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date provided by law if approved by no more than a majority of the members of Council and in that event the emergency provisions herein are set at naught.

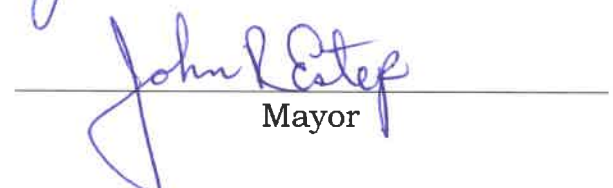
Passed this 20th day of July, 2017.


President of Council

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Approved this 20th day of July, 2017.


Mayor