Borough of Seven Fields

Ordinance #58

An Ordinance of the Borough of Seven Fields, Butler County, Pennsylvania, establishing the rules and regulations for the Borough's Town Park, including the athletic fields.

Section I. Park Hours

The Town Park shall be open from sunrise to sunset unless otherwise posted, or pursuant to other rules or regulations or ordinances concerning other facilities of the Borough. No person without an official permit or special permission other than authorized employees of the Borough, shall be, remaining, or loitering in the park, under any circumstances during the hours the park is closed.

Section II. Fires

No person shall set or maintain any fire except in stoves, grills, fireplaces, and areas designated by the Borough.

Section III. Glass Containers

The use of glass containers is prohibited in the park.

Section IV Behavior

No person shall conduct himself or herself in any manner which causes harm to the health, safety, or general welfare of any person within the park. Creating excessive noise, gambling, drunkeness, disorderly or indecent conduct and profane or offensive language are hereby prohibited. The use or possession of narcotic drugs or alcoholic beverages is prohibited.. Radios or other sound producing electronic equipment shall be operated in such a manner that they will not be disturbing to other persons in the nearby vicinity.

Section V. Domestic Animal and Pets

No domestic animals or pets are permitted in the park.

Section VI. Soliciting

No person or persons shall post any sign, solicit, peddle or offer any articles for sale or services for hire within the park or set up any stand or booth for such purpose without permit from the Borough.

Section VII Group Meeting

Organized meetings or assemblies of 20 people or more shall only take place in the park after obtaining written permit therefore. Permits must be obtained from the Borough office at least three (3) working days prior to the event. Sporting activities are exempt from the requirements of this section.

Section VIII Hunting/Shooting/Trapping

Hunting, shooting, trapping or the carrying of firearms except as permitted by State law, air rifles, bows and arrows, slingshots, or fireworks, or any other related weapon or instrument, or material shall be prohibited.

Section IX Garbage

All trash, garbage and litter shall be deposited in the refuse cans provided. Scattering, dropping, dumping or leaving any trash, litter or substance of any kind or polluting or dumping any matter into park waters in any portion of any park by any person is prohibited.

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Section X Damage

Damaging, destroying, defacing, adding to or removing from any park property including equipment, facilities, and the natural environment is prohibited.

Section XI Prohibited Acts

The following acts are specifically prohibited:

- a. To intentionally break, cut down, remove or in any manner injure or deface by writing on or otherwise and ornament, tree, plant, shrub, fern, flower, flower bed, turf, or any of the buildings, fences, equipment or other construction within a park.
- b. To remove, disturb, interfere with or take any of the blossoms growing on any tree scrub or bush in a park.
- c. To misuse or attempt to damage or destroy any park property.
- To injure, deface or destroy any notices, rules or regulations posted or in any other manner permanently fixed.
- e. To disturb water flow in the stream, pools, ponds or basins.
- f. To disturb birds nests or eggs in any part of a park.
- g. To erect or build any temporary or permanent structure without the written authorization of the Borough.
- h. To modify, adapt, change, add to or delete any present structure or facility without the written authorization of the Borough.

Section XII Athletic Fields

In addition to the rules previously stated herein, the following regulations pertain to the use of the Borough's athletic fields.

- a. All groups must obtain written authorization from the Borough to reserve the fields for practices and/or games. Each organization must submit a written request for authorization to use the fields which shall include a complete schedule of dates and times of requested use.
- b. All athletic organizations which apply for authorization to utilize the fields must also provide the Borough with proof of insurance at the time of application.
- c. The Borough will determine the availability of the fields.
- d. Organized youth athletic associations will have field priority.
- e. Organizations which have been granted authorization to use the fields will be responsible for all clean-up of the area after use and will be responsible for informing their members of the park rules and regulations herein. The Borough reserves the right to withdrawal field authorization from any organization which does not adhere to the rules which govern its use. Organizations in violation of the rules will be issued a notice by the Borough suspending field authorization within a 20-day notice period.
- f. Individuals and organizations which rent the Borough's Community Center in accordance with Ordinance # 55 may also reserve an athletic field based upon availability as determined by the Borough at the time of reservation.

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, any person who shall be convicted of a violation of any of the provisions of this Ordinance before a District Magistrate having jurisdiction shall be sentenced to pay a fine of no less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and no more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00), together with costs of prosecution.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Council of the Borough of Seven Fields this 24th day of March, 1997.

Robert Messina, Council President

Christine Wells, Borough Manager

REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY ME this 24th day of March, 1997.

Bruce Richards, Mayor