

TOWNSHIP OF COVERT VAN BUREN, MICHIGAN

COVERT PARK, BEACH, AND CAMPGROUND ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 117

ADOPTED: March 12, 2024

EFFECTIVE: April 29, 2024

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An Ordinance to set forth the rules and regulations in regard to Covert Park Beach and Campground.

THE TOWNSHIP OF COVERT ORDAINS:

Section A. Intent.

Covert Township owns property located on Lake Michigan, which is commonly known as Covert Township Park, and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of Covert Township to make this park available to the residents of the Township of Covert and the general public and to make this park as user-friendly as possible, and

WHEREAS, to further the public health, safety, and welfare of the users of this park, the Township of Covert adopts this ordinance to provide for the establishment of fees, maintenance, policies/regulations for the management and control of Covert Park Beach & Campground and to provide for penalties for violation of this ordinance.

Section B. Adoption of Policies/Regulations

The Township of Covert may, from time to time, adopt policies/regulations for the operation and use of Covert Park Beach & Campground. These policies/regulations shall be posted at the Covert Park Beach & Campground and a copy of the policies/regulations shall be given to all guests of the park. An additional copy of the policies/regulations shall be available for distribution to any person from the Covert Township Clerk at the Covert Township Hall.

Section C. Appointment of Park Rangers

The Township Board may, from time to time, appoint one or more “Park rangers” who shall have the power to enforce the provisions of this ordinance and the rules for operation and use of Covert Park Beach and Campground.

Section D. Prohibitions

- Entering or remaining with Covert Park Beach & Campground while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or controlled substances.

- Soliciting or peddling any articles, services, or goods, or distributing any written materials.
- Unauthorized motorized vehicles, motorized watercrafts, trailers, etc. on the Park’s beach.
- Failure to obey any command of a Park Manager, employee, or agent of the Park or interfere or hinder a park ranger during the performance of his/her duties may be considered an Ordinance violation.

Section E. Violation of Ordinance

Any person violating any provisions of this ordinance incorporated by reference, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be punished by imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than ninety (90) days and/or by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or both, in the discretion of the court.

Section F. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinance(s) and Saving Clause

All Ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith and specifically Ordinance #64, are hereby repealed. Any proceeding pending, including prosecutions for violations under any previous ordinance provision being repealed hereby, shall not be affected by the ordinance, and may be continued pursuant to said previous ordinance provisions.

Section G. Publication and Effective Date

The Township Clerk shall cause this ordinance or a summary thereof to be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township of Covert. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication of a summary hereof, following adoption.

YEAS: 4
 NAYES: 0
 ABSTAIN: 0
 ABSENT: 0

CERTIFICATION

This is a true and complete copy of Ordinance No. 117 adopted at a regular meeting of the Covert Township Board held on March 12, 2024.

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