

Ordinance No. 16

BICENTENNIAL PARK ORDINANCE TOWNSHIP OF COVERT, MICHIGAN Eff. Sept. 15, 1980

An Ordinance to provide for the use, protection, regulation and control of the Bicentennial Park, Lot 53, Section 15, Covert Township, Covert, Michigan, and to provide for adoption of supplementary rules and regulations and other matters, related to the use of same park property.

THE TOWNSHIP OF COVERT ORDAINS:

Sec. 1. SHORT TITLE.

This ordinance may be known and referred to as the "Covert Township Bicentennial Park Ordinance." (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

Sec. 2. HOURS.

2.1 No unauthorized person shall remain upon Bicentennial Park property between sunset and 8:00 a.m. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

SECTION 3 PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

3.1 BUILDINGS, MARKERS, MONUMENTS.

Destruction of buildings, markers, monuments and other properties shall be prohibited. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

3.2 PLANT LIFE; NATURAL SURROUNDINGS.

Destruction of plant life and natural surroundings shall be prohibited. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

3.3 FIRES.

The following rules shall apply to fires on Bicentennial Park property.

(A) No person shall willfully set or cause to be set any fire on said park property.

(B) No person shall drop, throw, or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigars, cigarettes, tobacco paper or other inflammable materials within or upon said property. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

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SECTION 4 TRESPASS; GENERAL REGULATIONS

4.1 PEDDLING AND SOLICITING.

It shall be unlawful for any person to peddle or solicit business or any nature whatsoever, or to distribute handbills, or other advertising or to post unauthorized signs on Bicentennial park Property. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.2 UNLAWFUL OBSTRUCTION.

No person, firm or corporation shall by force, threats, intimidations, unlawful fencing, enclosing, or by any other means, prevent or obstruct any person from entering, leaving, or making full use of the Bicentennial Park. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.3 HINDERING EMPLOYEES.

No person shall interfere with, or in any manner hinder any employees or agent of the township while performing their official duties. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.4 RESISTING POLICE OFFICER.

No person shall interfere with any police officer in the discharge of his duties, or fail or refuse to obey any lawful command of any police officer. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.5 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; DRUGS.

- (A) No person shall have in their possession any intoxicating beverage while in or upon Bicentennial Park property.
- (B) No person shall sell, use or have in his possession any drug or narcotic, the sale, use or possession of which is prohibited by the state law.
- (C) Violation of the provisions of Sections (A) or (B) hereof shall constitute disorderly conduct. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.6 PERSONAL CONDUCT.

- (A) It shall be unlawful for any person to be under the influence of intoxicants, or to engage in any violent, abusive, loud, boisterous, vulgar, lewd, wanton, obscene or otherwise disorderly conduct, or to disturb or annoy others, while in or on Bicentennial Park property.
- (B) It shall be unlawful to conduct or to participate in any forms of gambling, lottery or game of chance upon park property. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.7 FIREWORKS.

No person shall fire, discharge, or have in his or her possession any rocket, firecracker, torpedo, squib, or other fireworks or any substance of an explosive nature within or upon park property.

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4.8 FIREARMS.

No person shall, at any time, bring into or upon Bicentennial Park property, nor have in his or her possession, nor discharge, or set off anywhere upon said property, a revolver, pistol, shotgun, rifle, air rifle, air gun, water gun or any gun, rifle, firearm or bow or other weapon that discharges projectiles either by air, explosive substance or any other force. Provided however, that this section shall not apply to any police officer, or other duly appointed law enforcement officer while carrying out the duties and responsibilities of his position. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.9 LITTERING.

It shall be unlawful to discard or deposit refuse of any kind or nature in or upon the property except by placing said refuse in containers provided for such purpose. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.10 PUBLIC EXHIBITION.

No person shall carry on any performance or do anything whatsoever, which shall cause persons to congregate so as to interfere with the proper use of such property by the general public. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

4.11 EMERGENCY POWERS.

Nothing in these rules shall:

- (A) Prohibit or hinder duly authorized agents of the township of any peace officer from performing their official duties.
- (B) Prohibit the township from establishing emergency rules required to protect the health, welfare and safety of park visitors and to protect park property; including, but not limited to, the right of all the township to order all persons off park property, and close all or any portion of said park. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

SECTION 5 ENFORCEMENT.

5.1 FINES AND IMPRISONMENT.

Any person violating any provision of the foregoing rules shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than \$100.00 and costs of prosecution, or imprisoned in the County Jail for a period not exceeding 90 days or both, for each offense. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

SECTION 6 DEFINITIONS.

6.1 “**Township**” shall mean the Covert Township Board.

6.2 “**Bicentennial Park**” shall mean all land and property, Lot 53, Section 15, Covert Township, administered by and under the jurisdiction of the Covert Township Board.

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6.3 “**Person**” or “**persons**” shall mean individuals, male or female, singular or plural; firms, corporations, or any group or gathering of individuals. (ord. No. 16 eff Sept. 15, 1980)

SECTION 7 EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication pursuant to law.

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