

ENROLLED ORDINANCE 171-7

AMEND THE WAUKESHA COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES  
CHAPTER 14 PERTAINING TO PARK RULES

WHEREAS, Chapter 14 of the Waukesha County Code of Ordinances concerning Parks and Recreation contains park rules that were initially established in 1956 and has been amended at various times through 2015, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks and Land Use will be implementing a new reservation system that necessitates the Code changes, and

WHEREAS, in addition, the use of unmanned drones it necessitates Code updates.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA ORDAINS THAT Sec. 14-136 “Definitions” is repealed and recreated to read as follows:

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

1. *Camping Unit* shall mean a designated vehicle, trailer, tent, and any other unit, which serves the intended purpose of providing shelter for users.
2. *Commission* shall mean the Waukesha County Park and Planning Commission.
3. *Department* shall mean the Waukesha County Department of Parks and Land Use.
4. *Director* shall mean the head of the Department of Parks and Land Use and serve as the general manager of the parks system.
5. *Employee* shall mean full-time, part-time, permanent or temporary worker in the employ of the Department. Employee shall also include unpaid volunteers.
6. *Lake Access* shall mean sites designated by the Department to launch watercraft onto waterways.
7. *Park* shall mean any park, greenway, open space, arena, golf course, special use area, trail corridor or any other area owned, improved, maintained, operated, including buildings therein, or otherwise controlled by Waukesha County for recreation or natural resource preservation purposes.
8. *Permit* shall mean the written permission that must be obtained from the Department to carry out certain activities.
9. *Group Campsite* means a campsite designated for use by six or more campers.
10. *Family Campsite* means a campsite designated for use by five or fewer campers unless the campers are members of an individual family.

11. *Individual Family* means the principal campsite occupant and persons related to that person as a spouse, child, parent, grandparent, sibling or grandchild, or the spouse's child, parent, grandparent, sibling, or grandchild.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED THAT Sec. 14-141 "Permits generally" is repealed and recreated to read as follows:

- (a) All Permits required by this article shall be issued by the Director or by the Director's designee, shall be in writing, and shall be subject to all Park rules and regulations. Permits shall be required for the exclusive use of all or portions of specific areas, buildings and other Park facilities for conducting special events. The Director shall have the authority to revoke a Permit. Permits may not be transferred or relinquished to another person or group of persons without written authorization from the Director.
- (b) The persons to whom such Permits have been granted shall be fully bound by the rules and regulations as though the same were inserted in the Permits, and any person to whom a Permit has been issued shall be liable for any loss, damage, or injury sustained to by any person by reason of the negligence of the person to whom the Permit has been issued, their servants or agents.
- (c) All vehicles entering any fee-based Park shall have a proper vehicular park entry Permit. An annual park entrance Permit shall be affixed to the driver's side windshield. A daily park entrance Permit shall be clearly displayed upon the driver's side dashboard and clearly viewable from the outside of the vehicle.
- (d) Exception for (c) is made for events held in the Park where an event organizer has made previous arrangements to reimburse Waukesha County for all guests' vehicular entrance fees.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED THAT Section 14-161 "Aircraft landing prohibited" is repealed and recreated to read as follows:

No person shall ascend or land any manned or unmanned aircraft, including drones, gliders and parachutes, nor engage in any stunt flying or parachute landing in any Park without a written permit of the Department.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED THAT Section 14-162 "Sleeping or camping" is repealed and recreated to read as follows:

- (a) Camping prohibited. Camping is prohibited in all Parks, except at designated campgrounds or other areas authorized by the Department.
- (b) Designated Campgrounds. Designated Campgrounds are those family and group campgrounds within established Parks.
- (c) Camping Permit. No person shall camp without completing and displaying a Camping Permit. All camping fees shall be paid for the permit period as provided in this chapter relating to a fee or charge established by the Department.

1. Group Campsite permit reservation shall be completed prior to setup and requires a minimum of 3 tents per night paid. Any additional units will be charged at the site by Park employees.
  2. Family Campsites may be reserved prior to set-up and will be marked as reserved. If the campsite has not been marked as reserved, then sites are available to be used on a first-come, first-served basis.
  3. Failure to comply with camping Permit will be grounds for removal from site.
- (d) Camping limited, designated campgrounds. No person shall camp and no Camping Unit shall remain in a designated campground for a period greater than 7 consecutive days. The camping unit shall be removed from the property for at least 24 hours before being eligible to return.
- (e) Any site left unoccupied, in which camping permit fees are not current, is considered abandoned.
- (f) All personal and camping property left unattended after Permit expiration will be considered abandoned property.
- (g) Family Campsite occupancy.
1. Maximum of 2 Camping Units per site.
  2. If a campsite is not reserved, it is available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- (h) Campsite changes. No camping party shall move from its assigned campsite to another campsite without prior approval of Park staff.
- (i) Camping Permit expiration. All camping Permits expire at 3 p.m. on the last day of the permit period.
- (j) Camping Permit extensions. Extensions within the 7-day limit may be granted on camping Permits. Extensions shall be obtained prior to 10 a.m. on the expiration date of the Permit.
- (k) Campsite reservations. Campsite reservations will be accepted for family and group campsites. Any campsite that has not been marked reserved is available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- (l) Camping contrary to posted notice. No person shall camp on any lands under the management, supervision or control of the Department contrary to posted notice.
- (m) Camping violations. A violation of any state, local or federal law by a member of a camping party is cause for revocation of the camping Permit.

- (n) Campground quiet hours. No person shall make or cause to be made any unreasonable sounds or noises in or adjacent to any designated campground between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED THAT this ordinance shall be effective upon approval and publication.

IT IS FURTHER ORDAINED THAT any Code section or part of a code section in conflict with this ordinance is hereby repealed and declared null and void and of no effect.

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Presented by:  
Executive Committee



Paul L. Decker, Chair



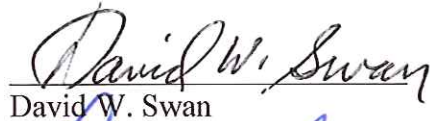
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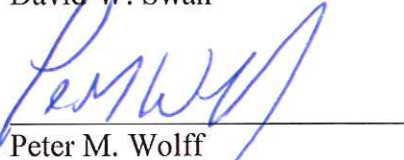
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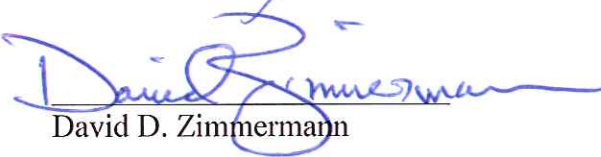
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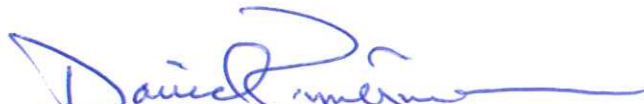


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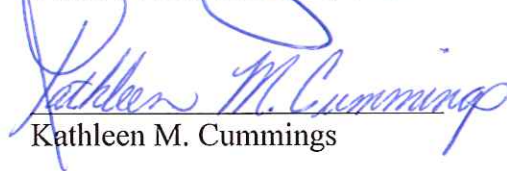


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Land Use, Parks, and Environment Committee



David D. Zimmermann, Chair



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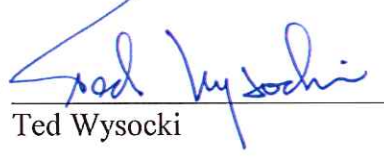
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The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 5/24/16,   
Kathleen Novack, County Clerk

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:

Approved: X  
Vetoed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 6/2/16,   
Paul Farrow, County Executive

WAUKESHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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