

Parks + Rec
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ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to amend Section 8.230 of the Manitowoc Municipal Code to allow camping in Lincoln Park.

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Manitowoc do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Section 8.230 is amended to read as follows:

"8.230 Regulations of Parks and Related Facilities.

(1) Alcohol Beverages. (a) No person shall possess or consume alcoholic beverages, wine or fermented malt beverages in Washington Park, Union Park, Riverview Park, Pulaski Park, Lincolnshire Park, Schuette's Park, Custerdale Playground, Union Park Playground, Mariner's Landing or Municipal Athletic Field, except where the person has obtained possession of fermented malt beverages from the holder of a Class "B" license authorizing the sale of such beverages at such park. This prohibition shall extend to the sidewalks in and immediately adjacent to the parks listed above, except that it shall not be a violation of this section if any person possesses wine or alcoholic beverages on such sidewalks in the original unopened containers.

(b) No person shall possess or consume any alcoholic beverages, wine or fermented malt beverages on the sidewalks surrounding the parks named in subsection (1)(a) of this section except that it shall not be a violation of this section if a person possesses the beverages on the sidewalks in their original unopened containers or if a person has obtained permission from the Recreation Board to possess alcoholic beverages in the above-named parks.

(2) Horseback Riding Prohibited. No horseback riding shall be permitted within the limits of any City park or Evergreen Cemetery at any time.

(3) Hours. (a) Lincoln Park Fieldhouse and Cabins. All non-camping activities in Lincoln Park Fieldhouse, cabins and buildings in Lincoln Park shall be prohibited between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. Individuals who are not registered campers must leave the park during these hours. Registered campers may remain at campsites overnight but are expected to follow campground rules.

(b) Lincoln Park Zoo. Except for authorized personnel, or when the City Parks and Recreation Department sponsors activities, it shall be unlawful for any person to be within the perimeter fence or the immediate surrounding outside boundaries of the Lincoln Park Zoo area between sundown and sunrise.

(c) Waysides. No person shall remain in any wayside operated by any State or local government located in the City of Manitowoc which is closed by signs placed in a location to give reasonable notice to the public that the wayside is closed.

(4) Loud Noise. The Police Department shall police all park areas of the City of Manitowoc parks and keep the volume of public address systems or loudspeakers confined to the immediate area of the participating groups. The Police Department shall order a reduction in the volume of said public address system or loudspeakers whenever it becomes a nuisance because of the volume or the method in which it is being operated.

(5) Vehicles. (a) No person may operate an automobile, motor truck, motor delivery wagon, bus, motorcycle, mini-bus or other motor vehicle or trailer

used in connection therewith in any City of Manitowoc park or cemetery, or on any school grounds in the City of Manitowoc, unless the area over which the vehicle is operated has been specifically designated by the Manitowoc Common Council or other appropriate authority for usage of a vehicle. The Common Council may limit the type of vehicle owned which may be operated in any park area or cemetery area.

(b) Subsection (5)(a) of this section shall not apply to any vehicle owned by the State, the United States or a local unit of government or any vehicle operated by employees, agents or officers of the State, the United States or of a local unit of government while in the performance of their official duties. Subsection (5)(a) of this section shall not apply to any vehicle traveling on the designated vehicular roads in the parks or cemeteries of the City of Manitowoc.

(6) Fires. No fires shall be permitted in any City park except charcoal fires in barbecue grills and fires in designated campfire pits. The Director of Parks and Recreation or his designee is authorized to grant specific exceptions to this rule in individual instances where adequate precautions are taken to assure public safety.

(7) Loitering in Parking Areas. No person, after having been warned by a police officer, shall loiter, stand, congregate, sit or lie in or upon any designated vehicular parking area in any City park for the purpose of eating or drinking, listening to music, or conducting other social activities not incidental to walking to or from other park areas or loading or unloading items for use in other park areas. The purpose of this subsection is to assure that recreational park activities occur in designated parking areas and prevent littering in those areas. The Recreation Board may grant exceptions to these restrictions on the use of parking areas for special events.

(8) Rules. The Parks and Recreation Committee of the Common Council is authorized to promulgate rules for the regulation of City parks and events in the parks. Any person who violates such rules shall be considered to have violated this section and be subject to any penalties therefor.”

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take effect on the day after its publication.

Introduced

JUN 16 2014

Adopted

Approved

Justin M. Nickels, Mayor

This Ordinance was drafted by Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney

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