

TOWNSHIP OF CHIKAMING
BERRIEN COUNTY
MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NO. 39
(Adopted)

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL CERTAIN ORDINANCES OF CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP AND TO ESTABLISH RULES AND REGULATIONS TO CONTROL AND GOVERN THE USE OF PUBLIC BEACHES AND PARKS LOCATED IN CHIKAMING TOWNSHIP, BERRIEN COUNTY, MICHIGAN; AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

THE TOWNSHIP OF CHIKAMING ORDAINS:

Section 1. Chikaming Township Ordinance No. 15 adopted December 5, 1965, and Chikaming Township Ordinance No. 22, adopted August 5, 1971, are hereby repealed in their entirety on the effective date of this Ordinance.

Section 2. The following rules and regulations shall be applicable and shall govern the use of the public beaches and parks owned and/or maintained by Chikaming Township, Berrien County, Michigan, within said Township, including the following:

Chikaming Township Park	Harbert, Michigan
Townline Beach	Union Pier, Michigan
McKinley Ave. Beach	Union Pier, Michigan
Miller's Beach	Union Pier, Michigan
Lakeview Beach	Union Pier, Michigan
Pier Street Beach	Lakeside, Michigan
Cherry Beach	Harbert, Michigan
County Road Beach	Harbert, Michigan

And that said rules and regulations shall be enforced by all law enforcement officers.

Section 3. No person shall litter the public beaches and parks in Chikaming Township with refuse matter of any kind or sort whatsoever, includingg

but not by way of limitation, sacks, cans, papers, bottles, garbage, food, trash, rubbish or junk, nor shall any person break or cause to be broken any bottles or other glass on said public beaches or in said parks.

Section 4. No person shall bring into the aforesaid public beaches and parks any alcoholic beverages of any kind or sort whatsoever nor shall any person consume any kind of alcoholic beverages therein.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit any domestic animal to run at large in the park. No person shall bring dogs, horses, ponies, or other demestic animals on to the public beaches or approaches thereto.

Section 6. All of the Township Parks shall be closed during the hours from 10:30 P.M. to 8:00 A.M. daily and the parking of vehicles in said parks during such hours is expressly forbidden. All vehicles left unattended and parked within a Chikaming Township Park during the hours from 10:30 P.M. to 8:00 A.M. will be towed away and impounded at the owner's expense. In addition, any violation of this Section may also be prosecuted as provided in Section 12 of this Ordinance.

Section 7. No person shall block the entrance of any of the beaches or parks with any automobile or other vehicle nor shall they double park along any of the roads leading to an entrance to the above referenced beaches and parks.

Section 8. From and after the effective date of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any off the road, or recreational vehicle, to drive over or across the parks and beaches of Chikaming Township. For purposes of this ordinance off the road vehicles, or recreational vehicles, are vehicles such as dune buggies, snowmobiles, motorcycles, motorized trail bikes, all terrain vehicles or other vehicles of like or similar kind. The enumeration of the foregoing

vehicles is intended by way of illustration and not by way of limitation. All such vehicles shall be limited solely using the drives and parking lots within the Township Parks.


Section 9. From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful to launch any boat from a public park or public beach area except in those areas expressly designated for use as a boat launching ramp.

Section 10. From and after the effective date of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to move construction machinery in, upon or across public parks or beaches without first securing a written permit therefore. Such a permit may be obtained during regular business hours at the Chikaming Township Hall. The express purpose of this provision is to safe guard and prevent the damage of any water intake pipes and/or structures located in beach areas.

Section 11. If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.


Section 12. Any person who violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance, upon arrest and conviction, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and may be punished by a fine of not to exceed \$500 and/or sentenced to the County Jail for a period not to exceed 90 days, or in the discretion of the Court, both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 13. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days from and after the publication thereof.



Jeanne Dudeck, Clerk
Chikaming Township

Attest:



Dennis Scheer, Supervisor