

TOWN OF GARFIELD
ESTABLISHMENT OF A
PARK and RECREATION
COMMITTEE
NO. 4 - 2007

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Polk County, Wisconsin

ORDINANCE NUMBER 4-2007

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NOW THEREFORE, the Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Garfield does ordain as follows:

Section One: Definitions.

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

(1) *Parks Committee or Committee* means the Town of Garfield Park and Recreation Committee.

(2) *Park, town park, boat landing and Garfield Recreational Area* mean all lands and water heretofore and hereafter acquired by the Town for park or recreational purposes or placed under the jurisdiction of the parks committee and includes without limitation, parks whether on Town owned property or privately owned lands the use of which has been granted to the Town for park, recreational or like purposes. The following areas are designated as Garfield Town parks:

- a. Lake Wapogasset Park and Boating Facility and adjacent undeveloped land
- b. Sunrise Beach Public Access
- c. Garfield Recreational Area
- d. Future park area as designated by the Town Board

(3) *Special recreation area, public access and boat landing* mean all lands and water heretofore and hereafter acquired by the Town for day use purposes or placed under the jurisdiction of the Town, and included, without limitation, boat landings, public access points and privately owned lands, the use of which has been granted to the Town for recreational or like public purposes. The following areas are designated as town special recreation areas:

- a. Existing lands designated as Public Access
- b. Future public access areas as designated by the Town Board

(4) *Town* means Town of Garfield.

Section Two: Creation of Committee:

- A. The Park and Recreation Committee shall consist of five members, a Town Board Supervisor, and four citizens. All members must be residents of the Town of Garfield. Citizen members shall be persons of recognized experience and qualifications. The Town Board member shall be elected by a two-thirds vote of the Town Board upon creation of the Park and Recreation Committee and during each June thereafter. The citizen members shall be appointed by the Town Chairperson upon creation of the Park and Recreation Committee to hold office for a period ending two and three years, respectively, from the succeeding first day of July. Thereafter, during June, two such members shall be appointed annually for a term of three years.
- B. The Committee shall elect a Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Secretary, who shall keep records of its proceedings. These records shall be filed with the Town Clerk and shall be public records.
- C. All action taken shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Committee in attendance.
- D. All costs and expenses of the Committee shall be approved by the Town Board before they are incurred by the Committee.
- E. The Town Board may remove any Committee member without cause.
- F. The Committee may adopt rules governing its own proceedings.

Section Three: Applicability.

Except when the context provides otherwise, the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to all lands, utilities, structures and property owned, leased or administered by the Town and under the management, supervision and control of the Parks Committee.

Section Four: Responsibilities and duties of the Parks Committee. The Park Committee shall be an advisory committee, making recommendations to the Town Board in the areas set forth in Wis. Stat. 27.08. The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the Town Board for final approval. From time to time the Town Board may prescribe additional duties to the Committee. Specific powers and responsibilities of the Park Committee include:

- A. *Generally.* Annually at the budget meeting, the Committee shall present to the Town Board for its consideration a work plan for the ensuing calendar year together with a detailed recommended budget. The work plan and budget adopted by the Town Board at this meeting shall serve as a directive to the Committee and shall establish the limits as well as purpose for which expenditures may be made. Subject to budget limitations, the Committee shall have the responsibilities detailed in subsections B and C of this section.

B. *Long Range Plan.* The Committee shall prepare and present to the Town Board for its consideration a long range plan for each Town Park. This shall be submitted by October each year.

C. Annual Report. The committee shall prepare and present an annual report of its activities to the Town Board. This shall be due April 1st each year.

Section Five: Meetings.

The Committee shall set monthly meetings, except as the Committee may adjourn or postpone meetings from time to time. Meeting dates are determined by the Committee, with agenda items posted as required in Wisconsin Statutes. Whereas one member of the Committee is a Town Supervisor, and that Supervisor may not be able to attend every meeting, another Supervisor may attend and act in his or her behalf.

Section Six: Severability.

A judicial determination that any portion of this article is invalid shall not invalidate the entire article but only the portion identified by the court. Any such determination of invalidity shall not operate retroactively.

Section Seven: Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 2007.

TOWN OF GARFIELD by:

Edward O. Gullickson, Town Chairman

Attest:

Hazel Nelson, Town Clerk

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2007.

Date Published: _____

Signed copy on file at Clerk's Office
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