BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE: O-2024-04-R

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FANWOOD, COUNTY OF UNION, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 25 OF THE BOROUGH CODE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Fanwood maintains Chapter 25 for the protection, development or use of the natural resources located within the territorial limits of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor & Council for the Borough of Fanwood wishes to amend Chapter 25 to provide for additional measures to allow for rules within the jurisdiction of the Nature Center in the Borough of Fanwood; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fanwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey as follows:

I. Chapter 25, Section 12 is hereby **amended** as follows:

Chapter 25, Section 12 Fanwood Nature Center

A. Nature Center Rules

- 1. The Fanwood Nature Center shall be open from sunrise to sunset.
- 2. The Fanwood Nature Center and all the natural resources within, are protected by a Conservation Easement administered by the Fanwood Environmental Commission and the Borough of Fanwood.
- 3. The picking or destroying of any <u>man-made structures</u>, trees, plants, shrubs and flowers within the Fanwood Nature Center is prohibited.
- 4. Feeding of wildlife, except for at the birdfeeders maintained by the Fanwood Nature Center Caretaker, is prohibited.
- 5. All visitors are asked to enjoy the natural environment and remain on marked trails or on boardwalks.
- 6. Fires and smoking are not permitted within the Fanwood Nature Center. This includes any flammable material which could create a fire hazard.
- 7. Dumping and littering is prohibited. This includes trash and yard debris, branches and grass clippings.
- 8. No circulars shall be distributed or posted without permission from the Fanwood Environmental Commission.
- 9. All wheeled vehicles such as bicycles and motorized vehicles are prohibited in the Fanwood Nature Center.
- 10. Dogs must be leashed. All dog waste must be bagged and disposed of properly outside of the Fanwood Nature Center.
- 11. The consumption of alcohol and controlled substances is prohibited in the Fanwood Nature Center.

B. Violations

- 1. A person who violates this section is subject to a fine of not less than \$35 or more than \$100 per offense and may be removed from the property.
- II. If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this ordinance or any other codes or ordinances incorporated herein shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder hereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part thereof

Introduced: May 20, 2024 Adopted: June 17, 2024

	Colleen Mahr, Mayor	
Attest:		
Courtney Agnello, De	enuty Borough Clerk	

INTRODUCTION	5/20/24	ADOPTED	6/17/24
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MOTION:	Katherine Mitchell	MOTION:	Patricia Walsh
SECOND:	Patricia Walsh	SECOND:	Erin McElroy Barker
YES:	Mitchell, Banks, Berry, Carter, McElroy Barker, Walsh	YES:	Mitchell, Banks, Carter, McElroy Barker, Walsh
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