

**O:24-3**  
**Harmony Township**  
**Warren County, NJ**

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HARMONY, COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 328-15 – HOURS OF OPERATION – OF CHAPTER 328 ENTITLED “PARKS AND RECREATION” TO ESTABLISH A CURFEW FOR THE OPERATION OF TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION AREA**

**WHEREAS**, the Township has been made aware that the Township recreation area is being utilized in the late hours of the night; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township wishes to establish a curfew, limiting the hours of operation of the recreation area; and

**WHEREAS**, by establishing a curfew for the recreation area, the Township will authorize the State Police to patrol the area and, if necessary, issue tickets for those present after hours; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee believes that such amendment to Chapter 328 is in the best interest of the Township and its residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Harmony, County of Warren, State of New Jersey that Section 328-15 – Hours of Operation – of Chapter 328 entitled “Parks and Recreation” is amended to include hours of operation as follows:

**SECTION I:**

Deletions to this Section shall be delineated as strikethrough text, ~~thusly~~.

Additions to this Section shall be delineated as underlined text, thusly.

**§ 328-15. Hours of Operation.**

No person shall, without permission, enter into or remain within a Township park or recreation area between the hours of 10:00 PM and 5:00 AM, unless otherwise authorized by a permit issued and/or reservation made pursuant to this Chapter. ~~except during the posted hours the park or recreation area is open to the general public.~~

**SECTION II. Repealer.**

Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code of the Township of Harmony inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION III. Severability.**

The various parts, sections, and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section, or clause is adjudged to be unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION IV. Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as provided by law.

**NOTICE**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced to pass on first reading at a regular meeting of the Committee of the Township of Harmony held on April 11, 2024 and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance will be considered for final reading and adoption at a regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on May 7, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the Township Committee may hear this Ordinance at the Municipal Building, 3003 Belvidere Road, Phillipsburg, New Jersey, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance.

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Kelley Smith, Municipal Clerk

INTRODUCED: April 11, 2024

ADOPTED: May 7, 2024