

**TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE  
ORDINANCE NO. 22-19**

**AN ORDINANCE TO OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE TO AMEND AND  
SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 23 PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES BY AMENDING  
SECTIONS 1.2 “PERMITTING AND REGULATIONS”, 1.3 “POSTING OF RULES AND  
REGULATIONS”, 2.1 “CONDUCT”**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Neptune that the Ordinance be and is hereby amended as follows: [Items removed have strikethroughs, additions are bold and underlined]

**SECTION 1.**

**§23-1 Parks and Recreational Facilities**

**§ 23-1.2 Permitting and Regulations**

The playfields and appropriate field permitting shall be under the supervision of the Recreation Director for the Township, hereinafter referred to as Director.

- a. Organized play is approved by permit only through the Recreation Office. Pick-up play is allowed, preferably on the designated Open Play Field. Open/Closed signs indicating field conditions/maintenance must also be observed. Mini parks will be open for all from sunrise to sunset.
- b. No motorized or non-motorized vehicle of any description shall be permitted upon any portion of the playfields unless authorized in writing by the Director.
- c. No motor vehicle shall be parked in the area of the playfields except at those places designated for parking.
- d. No alcoholic beverages shall be permitted at any time within the perimeter of the Shark River Hills Field and Jumping Brook Field.
- e. No food or beverage shall be sold at the playfields without first obtaining a mercantile license from the Township.
- f. No recreational activity shall be permitted on Sundays on fields 1, 2, and 3 located at the Jumping Brook Fields. No persons shall be allowed at playfields and parks after sunset until the sunrise following.
- g. **Minors should be accompanied by an adult, parent or guardian who will be responsible for their safety, supervision and behavior.**
- h. **All refuse must be disposed of in receptacles provided by the Township for such purposes. If those receptacles are filled, refuse must be carried out of the park and disposed of appropriately.**

### §23-1.3 Posting of Rules and Regulations

The rules and regulations set forth in subsection 23-1.2 and 23-2.1 shall be posted at each field.

### §23-2.1 Conduct

While in a public park or recreation area, all persons shall conduct themselves in a proper and orderly manner, and in particular, no person shall:

- a. Willfully mark, deface, disfigure, injure, tamper with, displace or remove any buildings, bridges, tables, benches, fireplaces, railings, paving materials, public utilities or appurtenances thereof, signs, notices or placards (whether temporary or permanent), monuments, stakes, posts, or other boundary markers, or other structures or equipment, facilities or park property or appurtenances whatsoever, either real or personal.
- b. Fail to cooperate in maintaining restrooms and washrooms in a neat and sanitary condition.
- c. Dig or remove any soil, rock, sand, stones, trees, shrubs, plants or other wood or materials, or make any excavation by tool, equipment, or other means.
- d. Construct or erect any building or structure of whatever kind (whether permanent or temporary) or run or string any public service utility into, upon or across such lands, except on special written permit issued hereunder.
- e. Damage, cut, carve, transplant or remove any tree or plant, or injure the bark, or pick flowers or seed of any tree or plant, dig in or otherwise disturb grassed areas, or in any other way injure the natural beauty or usefulness of any area.
- f. Climb any tree or walk, stand or sit upon monuments, vases, planters, fountains, railings, fences or upon any other property not designated or customarily used for such purposes.
- g. Tie or hitch an animal to any tree or plant.
- h. Hurt, molest, kill, wound, trap, abuse, shoot, pursue or throw objects at, or have in his/her possession any animal, reptile or bird found within any park, nor shall their habitats be disturbed, except where specifically designated and permitted. No person shall purchase, sell, accept or give away any such animal, reptile, bird or eggs except as may be specifically provided for and permitted.
- i. Throw, discharge, or otherwise place or cause to be placed in the waters of any fountain, pond, lake, stream or other body of water in any park or any tributary stream, storm sewer, or drain flowing into such water, any substance, matter or thing, liquid or solid, which may result in the pollution of said waters.
- j. Have brought in, dump in, deposit or leave any bottles, broken glass, ashes, paper, boxes, cans, dirt, garbage, refuse, or organic or inorganic solid liquid waste.
- k. Drive or park any vehicle on any area except the paved park roads or parking areas, or such areas as may on occasion be specifically designated as temporary parking areas by Township of Neptune.
- l. Leave a vehicle standing or parked at night in established parking areas or elsewhere in the

park areas. No motor vehicle shall be parked in said park areas from one half hour after sunset until sunrise, except as otherwise permitted.

- m. Ride a bicycle without reasonable regard to the safety of others.
- n. Leave a bicycle lying on the ground or paving or set against trees, or in any place or position where a person may trip over or be injured by it.
- o. Swim, bathe, or wade in any waters or waterways in any park, except in such waters and at such places as may be specifically designated for such activities.
- p. Bring into or operate any boat, raft, or other watercraft, whether motor powered or not, upon any waters, except at places designated for boating by Township of Neptune. Such activity shall be in accordance with applicable regulations as are now or will hereafter be adopted.
- q. Fish in any area where bathing is permitted.
- r. Shooting into park areas from beyond park boundaries is forbidden. No person shall carry or possess firearms of any description, spring-guns, bow and arrows, slings or any other forms of weapons or devices potentially inimical to wildlife or dangerous to human safety, or any instrument that can be loaded with and fire blank cartridges, or any kind of trapping device, except as may be specifically permitted.
- s. Violate the regulation that use of individual fireplaces together with tables and benches follows the generally accepted rule of "first come, first served."
- t. Use any portion of the picnic area or any of the buildings or structures therein for the purpose of holding picnics to the exclusion of other persons, nor shall any person use such areas and facilities for an unreasonable time if the facilities are crowded.
- u. Set up tents, shacks, or any other temporary shelter for the purpose of overnight camping, nor shall any person leave in a park after closing hours any movable structure or special vehicle to be used or that could be used for such purpose, such as a house-trailer, camp-trailer, camp-wagon, or the like except in those areas designated by Township of Neptune for those purposes.
- v. Ride a horse except on designated bridle trails, where permitted. Horses shall be thoroughly broken and properly restrained, and ridden with due care, and shall not be allowed to graze or go unattended, nor shall they be hitched to any rock, tree or shrub.
- w. Bring alcoholic beverages or drink same at any time except in such areas and under such regulations as may be designated and permitted by Township of Neptune.
- x. Have in his/her possession, set or otherwise cause to explode, discharge, or burn, any fireworks, firecrackers, or explosives or flammable material, or discharge them or throw them into any such areas from lands or highways adjacent thereto.
- y. Be responsible for the entry of a dog or other domestic animal into areas clearly marked by Township of Neptune signs bearing the words "Domestic Animals Prohibited in this Area". All domestic animals in those areas where such animals are permitted shall be

adequately restrained at all times.

- z. Solicit alms or contributions for any purpose, whether public or private except in such areas and under such regulations as may be designated and permitted by Township of Neptune.
- aa. Build, or attempt to build, a fire except in such areas and under such regulations as may be designated by Township of Neptune. No person shall drop, throw or otherwise scatter lighted matches, burning cigarettes, cigars, tobacco, paper or other flammable material within any park or on any highways, roads, or streets abutting or contiguous thereto.
- bb. Gamble, participate in, or abet any game of chance except in such areas and under such regulations as may be designated by Township of Neptune.
- cc. Go onto the ice on any waters except such areas as are designated as skating fields, and provided a safety signal is displayed.
- dd. Disturb or interfere unreasonably with any person or party occupying any area or participating in any activity under the authority of a permit.
- ee. Expose, or offer for sale, any article or thing, nor place any stand, cart, or vehicle for the transportation, sale, or display of any such article or thing. Exception is made for any permitted or licensed concessionaire acting by and under the authority and regulation of Township of Neptune.
- ff. Paste, glue, tack, or otherwise post any sign, placard, advertisement, or inscription whatever, nor shall any person erect, or cause to be erected, any sign on any park lands or roads in any park.
- gg. Golf or engage in any activity that creates divots or damage to the surface of any ball field, park or recreational area.
- hh. Smoke, chew, or possess lighted cigarettes, pipes, cigars, electronic cigarettes, or any other type of tobacco product.
- ii. **Smoke, chew, or possess lighted cigarettes, pipes, cigars, electronic cigarettes, or any other type of cannabis product.**
- jj. **Use or operate any grill including, but not limited to charcoal, propane, or electric grills.**
- kk. **Be in possession of any container made of glass.**
- ll. **Be in possession of or bring any type of balloon.**
- mm. **Be in possession of or bring any type of confetti, or material that will disperse on use or be thrown.**
- nn. **Conduct or operation of any business or commercial activity unless a license or permit has been obtained from the Township**

**oo. Soliciting contributions or donations, gambling and games of chance**

**SECTION 2.**

The remainder of all other sections and subsections of the aforementioned ordinance not specifically amended by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.**

All other Ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4.**

If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

**SECTION 5.**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication according to law.

Motion/	Roll Call To Table	YAY	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	Adopted on First Reading Dated: May 23, 2022
Second	Dr. Michael Brantley	X				
SEcond	Keith Cafferty	X				
	Robert Lane, Jr.	X				
Motion	Tassie D. York	X				
	Nicholas Williams	X				

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Gabriella Siboni, RMC  
Township Clerk