

**Ordinance # 022-09-90**

**Code Amendment to Article IV. General Provisions**

**Sub Section 400-23.6 Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds**

**WHEREAS;** It is in the best interest of Stephenson County that the zoning code be updated from time to time; and

**WHEREAS;** the following changes are necessary to assure the Stephenson County Code is in compliance with prevailing code and common law and general practice in the State of Illinois;

**BE IT THEREFOR ORDAINED THAT** Article IV be amended by adding Subsection 400-23.6 Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds as follows:

- A. Site plan to include:
  - a. Number, location, and size of all lots intended for use by recreational vehicles, domes, tents, yurts, or any other structure used for temporary living quarters.
  - b. Location of parking lots, roadways, and walkways.
  - c. Location of service buildings, sanitary stations, and any other existing or proposed structures.
- B. Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds shall only be permitted to operate between April 1 and October 31. Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds shall remain closed for the remainder of the year except for workers with contracts for year-round projects. The zoning department must be shown proof of year-round contracts and be notified when works will be arriving and shown their departure date.
- C. Quiet hours from 10:00 pm to 7:00 am Monday through Thursday and 11:00 pm to 7:00 am Friday through Sunday.
- D. Noise control: The park management shall be responsible for controlling noise within the park to levels which do not exceed the state EPA rules and regulations.
- E. Setbacks: All recreational vehicles, domes, tents, yurts, or any other structure used for temporary living quarters must be a minimum 150 feet setback from the adjacent property line with no structure facing the perimeter property line that has a residential dwelling.
- F. Bulk requirements:
  - a. Size of Park or Campground: The size of each recreational vehicle park or campground shall be regulated according to the following classes:

Class A	500 acres
Class B	300 - 500 acres
Class C	100 - 300 acres
Class D	25 - 100 acres
Class E	10 - 25 acres
Class F	5 - 10 acres
Class G	3 - 5 acres

G. Density: Density shall vary according to classes and shall be based on total acreage.

Class A	An overall density of 6 lots per acre
Class B	An overall density of 7 lots per acre
Class C	An overall density of 8 lots per acre
Class D	An overall density of 8 lots per acre
Class E	An overall density of 9 lots per acre
Class F	An overall density of 9 lots per acre
Class G	An overall density of 10 lots per acre

H. Campground must hold a valid Illinois Department of Health Campground License.

I. The park owner/manager shall provide the County Zoning Office with the yearly Illinois Department of Health Campground License.

J. Accessory Structures: Decks and porches may be placed adjacent to the recreational vehicles provided they are not attached to the recreational vehicle. The total if the total combined area of covered decks and porches exceed 120 square feet a building permit will be required.

PASSED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2022

W. N. Hedley  
Chairperson of the Stephenson County Board

ATTEST:  
Vici R. Otte  
Stephenson County Clerk and Exofficio