

ORDINANCE NO. 16-05

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO CAMPING AND BOATHOUSE REGULATIONS, AMENDING SECTION 19-1-111, ARTICLE 19-1, CHAPTER 19, LAWTON CITY CODE, 2015, BY ADDING LANGUAGE TO ALLOW OFF SEASON CAMPING AT LAKES ELLSWORTH AND LAWTONKA, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma that:

Section 1. Section 19-1-111 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19-1-111 - Camping and boathouse regulations.

- C. The following rules and regulations are hereby adopted for the use of camping areas and shelters with or without electrical service at Lakes Ellsworth and Lawtonka. Camping is allowed only at city designated campsites and commercial locations:

~~3. Except as otherwise provided or limited in this section, no camper will be allowed to occupy any camping site for a period of more than twenty one (21) days or hold the same site more than once per camping season. Check-out time will be 4:00 P.M. on the day the camping permit expires. After a twenty-one day or fourteen day permit expires, the camper will be able to occupy another available camping site if/when available. No camper, member of the camper's immediate family, or camping unit may occupy a camping site without a valid camping permit for such camping site. A camping permit may issue for not more than fourteen (14) days for those preferred sites in the overnight camping area identified with distinctive colors, for not more than fourteen (14) days for any site or area within the primitive camping areas, and for not more than twenty-one (21) days for any other camping site. Check-out time will be 4:00 P.M. on the day the camping permit expires. The camping season shall begin on March 1 and end on the last day of September of each year. The off-season camping shall begin on October 1 and shall end on the last day of February of each year. During the camping season, only one camping permit for the same camping site shall issue to same camper, to any member of the camper's immediate family, or for the same camping unit; during the off-season camping period, this restriction shall not apply. Upon the expiration of a camping permit, the camping permit holder may occupy another camping site if and when available. Rates for camping permits for the camping season and for off-season camping shall be set forth in the fee schedule by resolution. See: Fee Schedule, Article A-19-1.~~

~~8. No camper, member of the camper's immediate family, or camping unit may occupy for more than fourteen (14) days in a camping season any preferred site identified in the overnight camping area with distinctive colors or any site or area within the primitive camping areas.~~

Section 2. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, said portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective thirty days after the date of the ordinance's passage.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma this 23rd day of February, 2016.

FRED L. FITCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TRACI L. HUSHBECK, CITY CLERK

APPROVED as to form and legality this _____ day of _____, 2016.

FRANK V. JENSEN, CITY ATTORNEY