

ORDINANCE NO. 19-26

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO AMENDING REGULATION TO FURTHER DEFINE CAMPING REQUIREMENTS AT THE CITY LAKES ELLSWORTH AND LAWTONKA AMENDING SECTION 19-1-111, ARTICLE(S) 1-111, C-1, C-3 AND C-8, CHAPTER 1, LAWTON CITY CODE, 2015, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND ESTABLISHING AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Section 1. Section 19-1-111- paragraph C-1 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:

1. Each camping shelter will be individually designated. Specific areas for campsites near the camping shelters in the overnight camping areas are also designated and identified on a map on display at the Lake Lawtonka Headquarters. Except at established campsites at Robinson's Landing, campsites in these areas shall be separated by a minimum of one hundred (100) feet. Shelters will be occupied on a first come first serve basis. There will be no reservations of vacant shelters or areas. To hold a vacant camping unit, i.e., erected tents, pickups with campers, a camping van, travel trailers or motor homes must be placed on a vacant site pending issuance of a camping permit. No one may hold a space for others. A vacant spot can be occupied with pickups with camper shell, a camping van, travel trailers or motor homes. Tents are not allowed to hold vacant spots. Tent camping will only be allowed in the area known as the "ponds or primitive camping" sections of Lake Lawtonka. All camping fees are due at the time of occupancy, no exceptions. If payment is not made, then site will be locked and property will be removed at the owner's expense. If after hours, payment must be made in drop box located at Lake Headquarters, address 23510 State Highway 58, Lawton OK, 73507. No more than (2) two camping units will be located at each campsite. The number of persons occupying one campsite overnight may not exceed eight (8) persons. No electrical appliances (refrigerator, freezer, stove, microwave) will be connected to a campsite hookup.

Section 2. Section 19-1-111- paragraph C- 3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

19-1-111 Camping and boathouse regulations.

3. 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 on all sites. Upon the expiration of a

~~camping permit, the camping permit holder and camping unit must leave current campground for no less than fourteen (14) days. After fourteen (14) days, camper and unit may be allowed to return pending available sites, and any space previously occupied by the camper or unit will not be allowed. Sites will not be allowed to be held for others and are on a first come, first serve. 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, the fourteen (14) day restriction shall not apply. Upon the expiration of a camping permit, the camping permit holder must 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.~~

Section 3. Section 19-1-111- paragraph C- 8 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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

Section 4. Effective Date. The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective on and after January 1, 2020.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Council of the City of Lawton, Oklahoma this 12th _____ day of November, 2019.

STANLEY BOOKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TRACI L. HUSHBECK, CITY CLERK

APPROVED as to form and legality this ____ day of _____, 2019.

ROBERT ROSS
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY