LAKE TOWNSHIP
MISSAUKEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

LAKE TOWNSHIP PARK ORDINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 24

An ordinance to provide for the use, protection, regulation, and control of the township parks and park facilities and other matters concerning recreation and conservation.

THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKE ORDAINS:

Section 1. Name:

This Ordinance shall be known and referred to as the Lake Township Park Ordinance.

Section 2. Application and Hours:

A. This Ordinance shall apply to the Clam River Park located at the intersection of M-55 and Dickerson Road and the Jennings Park located on Lot 5, Block G, in the Plat of Jennings.

B. No person or vehicle shall remain upon the Jennings Park property from 10:00 p.m. until sunrise, during which time the park shall be closed. There shall be no overnight camping, campfires, or other overnight activities at the Jennings Park.

C. Camping is permitted at the Clam River Park under the following conditions:

1. Camping is permitted only in those places specifically provided and marked.

2. All vehicles, RVs, and trailers must be parked on campsites or driveway into campsite. Driving or parking off Park road is not permitted.

3. Camping longer than 14 consecutive days is not allowed.

4. The number of camping units per campsite is limited to one.
5. All garbage and litter must either be deposited in containers provided, or taken with campers when campers leave.

6. Fires may only be built in fire rings, stoves, grills, or fireplaces provided for that purpose.

7. Fires must be completely extinguished before leaving. No fire may be left unattended. Campers are responsible for keeping fires under control.

Section 3. Unlawful Activities:

It is unlawful to do any of the following within either Clam River Park or Jennings Park.

A. Remove, destroy or mutilate park property.

B. Destroy, damage, or deface any tree or other vegetation. Adults shall be responsible for any damage caused by their children or pets.

C. Allow animals to run loose or walk unleashed.

D. Operate any vehicle, including but not limited to dirt bikes, off road vehicles, snowmobiles, bicycles, motorcycles, or motor vehicles except on designated roads or parking areas. (This rule does not pertain to motorized equipment used by individuals whose disabilities require such use as long as such equipment is used upon established paths or to get to picnic tables or the river and further that such equipment does not unnecessarily destroy trees or other vegetation.)

E. Use loud speakers, public address systems, or other loud sound equipment.

F. Leave or discard any refuse, rubbish, household or other materials, solid or liquid, in or upon the property except for picnic, fishing, or hiking materials used at the park and left in containers provided by the park.

G. Hunt, trap, catch, wound, kill or treat cruelly or to attempt such an act upon any bird or animal, to molest or rob any nest of any bird or any lair, den, or burrow of any animal within the park. This rule does not apply to or limit any legal fishing.
H. Be under the influence of intoxicants or to engage in any violent, abusive, loud, boisterous, vulgar, obscene, or otherwise disorderly conduct, or to disturb or annoy others.

I. Fire, discharge or have in one’s possession any fireworks or any substance of an explosive nature.

J. Use or discharge any firearm or bow, including but not limited to pistols, shotguns, rifles, or air guns. (This rule does not apply to any state police, DNR, sheriff department or other duly appointed law enforcement officers while carrying out the duties and responsibilities of his or her position.)

Section 4. Enforcement and Penalties:

A. Any person violating any provision of the foregoing rules shall be liable for a fine up to, and not more than, $500.00 under a Municipal Civil Infraction as defined by statute and with the procedures established under Lake Township Ordinance No. 15. For each day this ordinance is violated, the offender shall be deemed to have committed a separate offense.

B. Any person violating any provision of the foregoing may be asked to leave the park by any Ordinance Enforcement officer established by a township ordinance or by the township supervisor. Failure to leave when requested shall be deemed a trespass.

C. Violations of any provisions of the foregoing rules shall be enforced by a township ordinance officer created under the Lake Township Ordinance No. 5, the Ordinance Enforcement Officer Ordinance.

D. In addition to any municipal civil infraction or criminal trespass, any person who violates any provisions of the foregoing rules shall be liable civilly and the rights and remedies provided herein are cumulative and in addition to all other remedies provided by law.

Section 5. Repeal.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith, including Lake Township Park Ordinance No. 18, are hereby repealed.
Section 6. Validity:

Should any section, clause, or provision of this ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any other part hereof.

Section 7. Effective Date:

This Ordinance is enacted by the Lake Township Board on the 13\text{rd} day of \underline{December}, and shall take effect thirty (30) days after publication.

Robert Hall  
Lake Township Supervisor

Korinda Winkelmann  
Lake Township Clerk