

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-1184

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WISNER, NEBRASKA, ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING CAMPING ON CITY GROUNDS AND FACILITIES; PROVIDING A PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS; REPEALING CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, CODE SECTIONS, AND RESOLUTIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS the City Council finds it appropriate and necessary to establish rules and regulations pertaining to camping on City grounds and facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WISNER, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. Definitions. For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following definitions apply:

“Camping” shall mean the temporary lodging out-of-doors, including, but not limited to, occupancy of a shelter designed for such purpose (i.e. tents, or camping unit).

“Park area” shall mean the area within the legal boundaries of any park owned and operated by the City of Wisner.

“Camping unit” shall mean a tent, cabin trailer, camping trailer, fifth-wheel trailer, motor home, park trailer, travel trailer, truck camper, van conversion or other recreational vehicle primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use, which unit either has its own power or is mounted on or towed by another vehicle.

“Campground” shall mean an area in which multiple campsites are established or identified.

“Campsite” shall mean an area on which camping is permitted by patrons who have registered and paid fees for the use of the defined area.

Section 2. Regulations.

A. Campers must immediately register at the City office or at a designated location in the park area.

B. The fee for camping is \$20.00 per night or in the amount provided in any master fee ordinance of the City as amended from time to time, whichever is greater.

C. Camping and the use of a trailer or any other camping unit are permitted only at designated camp areas within the park. All vehicles and trailers must be kept on a camping pad unless otherwise approved in writing by City personnel.

D. No more than one (1) camping unit is permitted at a campsite, unless otherwise approved in writing by City personnel.

E. Camping, or occupying locations within the park campground, is permitted for a maximum of 14 consecutive days during any 30-day period. Fourteen consecutive days means 14 calendar days, with the first day being the first day a campsite is deemed unavailable to other patrons via proper payment for or occupancy of that campsite.

F. Campsites must be vacated by 4:00 p.m., unless there is reregistration, subject to a maximum stay of 14 calendar days during any 30-day period.

G. The installation of permanent camping facilities is prohibited.

H. Occupants must not disturb the peace and quiet of other occupants. Quiet must be maintained beginning at 10:00 p.m.

I. Any breach of any of the rules and regulations herein may result in revocation of camping privileges and an order to vacate the grounds. In addition, anyone who violates any rule or regulation is subject to penalties as provided herein.

Section 3. Any person who violates or refuses to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined no more than \$500.00 for each offense. A new violation shall be deemed to have been committed every 24 hours of such failure to comply.

Section 4. Any other ordinance, Code section, or resolution passed and approved prior to the passage, approval, and publication or posting of this Ordinance and in conflict herewith is hereby repealed.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law. Publication may be in pamphlet form.

Passed and approved this 5th day of August, 2024.

CITY OF WISNER, NEBRASKA,

Terry Soden, Mayor

Stephanie James, City Clerk/Treasurer