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A local law amending and restating Chapter 101 of the Code of the Village of Greenport, to modify the regulation of recreation areas and beaches.

Chapter 101

Recreation Areas and Beaches

§ 101-1 Purpose.

The Village of Greenport, for the preservation and maintenance of suitable recreation facilities for its citizens and their guests, hereby enacts this chapter so as to ensure the peaceful, orderly and most beneficial use of any and all recreational facilities supported, in whole or in part, maintained or owned by the Village of Greenport.

§ 101-2 Definitions.

ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT OR STRUCTURES

Has the meaning specified in Chapter 44.

BEACH

Any land lying within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Village of Greenport between the mean high water line of a body of water and the base of any bluff or dune or where no bluff or dune is present, between such body of water and the naturally occurring beach grass or upland vegetation if no naturally occurring beach grass is present.

MASS ASSEMBLY EVENT

Has the meaning specified in Chapter 44.

MASS ASSEMBLY PERMIT

Has the meaning specified in Chapter 44.

MITCHELL PARK

Has the meaning specified in Chapter 44.

PERSON

Has the meaning specified in Chapter 44.

PUBLIC PARK

Any park, playground, athletic field, boat-launching ramp, skate park or beach that is owned by, leased by, maintained by, or otherwise under the control of, the Village of Greenport, regardless of whether zoned as "Park District" or otherwise, including without limitation, the park and beach area located at the south ends of Fifth and Sixth Streets, the playground located at Third Street adjacent to the Village of Greenport Firehouse, the basketball court located at Third Street north of Center Street, the skatepark located at Moore's Woods and Mitchell Park.

PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY

Has the meaning specified in Chapter 88.

UNREASONABLE NOISE

Has the meaning specified in Chapter 88.

§ 101-2 Hours.

- A. All public parks shall open at sunrise and close at one hour after sunset or such later hour as may be specified in any applicable mass assembly permit, with the following exceptions to closing time:
- (1) The area set aside for the village campsite;
 - (2) Mitchell Park which shall close at 12:00 a.m.; and
 - (3) the public park located at Moore's Woods (including the skate park) which shall close at 10:00 p.m.
- B. No person or persons shall remain in or enter a public park before opening time and/or after the closing time thereof without the prior written permission of the Board of Trustees.

§ 101-3 Littering.

No person shall bring in or dump, deposit or leave any bottle, broken glass, ashes, paper boxes, cans, dirt, rubbish, waste, garbage, refuse, brush, gravel, fill or other similar materials in any public park or any adjacent public right-of-way except in proper trash receptacles provided by the Village of Greenport expressly therefor. Where receptacles are not so provided, all such items shall be carried away from the public park by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere.

§ 101-4 Alcoholic beverage restrictions.

Except to the extent specifically permitted pursuant to any duly issued mass assembly permit, no person or persons shall consume alcoholic beverages from any container in any public park.

§ 101-5 Animals.

- A. Dogs or domestic animals shall not be allowed on or within (1) any designated bathing beach during such time that a lifeguard is on duty or (2) any public park that is posted with signage indicating that dogs or domestic animals are prohibited.
- B. To the extent not prohibited pursuant to clause (A) above, dogs or domestic animals shall only be allowed on or within any public park (including any beach) in compliance with the conditions set forth in Chapter 39 and shall at all times be on a leash and restrained no more than four (4) feet from the owner or custodian of such dog or domestic animal.

§ 101-6 Liability for injuries and stolen property.

Anyone using any public park or any related facilities shall do so with the understanding that the Village assumes no responsibility for any injury or damage which such person may sustain while an occupant of the applicable public park or while using any related facilities; and the Village shall not be responsible in any manner for any article that may be stolen from any public park, any structure located on any public park or from any motor vehicle or motorboat parked on a right-of-way adjacent to any public park.

§ 101-7 Selling; vending; distribution of certain goods

The selling, vending or offering for sale of any wares or merchandise or any tickets for admission to

entertainment or other functions or chances or letters or whatsoever is strictly prohibited, except in such case and instances as the Board of Trustees has issued a permit therefor.

§ 101-8 **Other Prohibitions.** Except to the extent expressly provided for to the contrary in any mass assembly permit or any other permit issued by the Board of Trustees from time to time, the following activities are prohibited in any public park and on any public waterway or public right-of-way immediately adjacent thereto:

- A. Except for areas designated for parking, parking aisles and driveways providing access to such parking areas, driving or use of a motor vehicle in any public park; placement of any motorboat in any public park (except to the extent that there is a marina expressly provided therefor).
- B. Any mass assembly event without a permit as required pursuant to Chapter 44 (other than any event that is not required to obtain a mass assembly permit pursuant to Chapter 44, including any demonstration).
- C. Conduct or activities, including any fighting or other violent, tumultuous or threatening behavior, that: (1) significantly interferes with ordinary park use by the public, (2) jeopardizes the safety of the public or (3) is indecent or disorderly.
- D. (1) Digging or removing sand, gravel, rocks or other similar materials located in any public park or adjacent public waterway or (2) cutting, carving, removing or otherwise damaging any tree or plant in any public park.
- E. Erecting, constructing or placing any additional equipment or structure, fence, barricade or sign without having obtained the express permission of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Greenport.
- F. Unreasonable noise.
- G. The playing or operation of any sound reproduction device (as defined in Chapter 88) except to the extent permitted under the terms of Chapter 88.
- H. The kindling, building, maintaining or use of any fire in any place or portable receptacle, except in places or receptacles provided by the Village of Greenport or as expressly permitted pursuant to any mass assembly permit.
- I. Any marking, defacing, injuring or damage to any building, structure, property or equipment located therein.
- J. Undressing or dressing either by changing from ordinary street clothes into bathing or beach attire or otherwise except in any building or structure provided therefore.
- K. Camping or sleeping or the erection of any additional building or structure, temporary or otherwise for such a purpose.
- L. Possession or discharge of fireworks.
- M. The playing of any games involving thrown or otherwise propelled objects, such as balls, stones, arrows, javelins or model airplanes except in areas set apart for such forms of recreation, including any field or court or other similar area established therefor.

- N. Distribution of any leaflets or handbills containing harassing, threatening or intimidating text or images.
- O. Harassing, threatening or intimidation of another person of reasonable sensitivities.

§ 101-9 **Use of Picnic Areas.** No person shall, in any public park:

- A. Picnic in a location in such public park other than a place designated for such purpose.
- B. Violate the regulation that use of any Village provided for grills or fireplaces, together with tables and benches provided therefor , follows generally the rule of first come, first served, except if it is an organized mass assembly event that exhibits a mass assembly permit.
- C. Use any portion of a picnic area or any of the equipment, furnishings, buildings or structures located at any public park for the purpose of holding a picnic to the exclusion of other persons or for an unreasonable time if the facilities are crowded.
- D. Leave a picnic area before a fire is completely extinguished and before all trash in the nature of boxes, papers, cans, bottles or other refuse is placed in prior disposal receptacles where provided or carried away from the applicable picnic area.

§ 101-10 **Mitchell Park.**

- A. No person shall organize any private event or activity involving the congregation of twenty-five (25) or more persons (other than any use of the carousel, the camera obscura or skating park in the ordinary course of its business¹) that is intended to take place in any portion of Mitchell Park without first obtaining a mass assembly permit in accordance with Chapter 44 (unless such event or activity is a type that is not required to have a mass assembly permit pursuant to §44-2(B) and is an otherwise permitted activity conducted during the hours that Mitchell Park is open).
- B. No additional equipment or structure or sound reproduction device shall be placed, used or operated by any person in Mitchell Park except to the extent expressly permitted pursuant to any Mass Assembly Permit or other resolution enacted by the Village Board of Trustees from time to time.
- C. Except as specifically permitted in section 101-10(A), the use of Mitchell Park by any person is subject to all of the other provisions set forth in this Chapter 101 with respect to the use of any public park.

§ 101-11 **Beaches.**

- A. No person shall swim, bathe or wade in any waters or waterways in or adjacent to any beach except in such waters and at such places as are provided therefor and in compliance with such regulations as are herein set forth or may otherwise be adopted from time to time.
- B. Any designated bathing or swimming area shall be kept free from any form of motorboat, water equipment or other floating objects that may cause inconvenience, injury or discomfort to bathers, except of such equipment is intended for the protection of life.
- C. No person shall bring into or operate any boat, raft or watercraft, whether motor-powered or not, upon

any water places designated for bathing.

- D. No person shall (1) fish within 20 feet of any designated bathing or swimming area or (2) use any surfboard, paddleboard or windsurfing equipment (except for the launch thereof) within 150 feet of any designated bathing or swimming area.

§ 101-12 Penalties for offenses.

- A. Any person or persons who shall violate or aid in, take part in or assist in the violation of this chapter shall be subject to: (a) a minimum fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1,000 for the first offense and (b) a minimum fine of \$1,000 or a maximum fine of \$5,000 for each additional offense occurring within twelve (12) months of the first offense. Any penalties payable under this § 101-15 shall be in addition to any other penalties that such person or persons may be liable for pursuant to any other provision of this Code, including, without limitation, pursuant to Chapter 88.
- B. A code enforcement officer or police officer of Southold Town Police Department shall have the authority to enforce and/or eject from any public park any person violating the provisions of this Chapter or any other provisions of the Code.

§ 101-12 Concurrent remedies. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed or construed so as to prevent the enforcement of any other remedy at law, concurrent or otherwise, available to the Board of Trustees or other law enforcement authority to avoid or prevent any violation or attempted violation of this chapter, such as but not limited to an injunction or restraining order. The Village of Greenport may maintain any action or proceeding in a court of competent jurisdiction to compel compliance with or to restrain by injunction the violation of this chapter.

§ 101-13 Supplementary provisions. This chapter is in addition to any other law, ordinance or regulation affecting the subject matter herein and is not in limitation thereof.