

RESOLUTION NO. 5-12-80 A

BEING A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE USE AND REGULATION OF ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE PARK AND PARK FACILITIES OF THE TOWN OF ST. JOHN, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, AND PROVIDING SUGGESTED PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Town of St. John is presently acquiring land for the use and enjoyment of its residents; and,

WHEREAS, a Park Board and Department have been created; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary to regulate the use and activities revolving around said parks,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Park Board of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, as follows:

ARTICLE I

1. No person shall remain or be in any part of any park between the hours of 11:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M., without permission of the Park Board.

Article II

1. No domestic animal or otherwise is permitted within the St. John Park District properties, or perimeters of said properties, unless otherwise permitted by the St. John Park Board.

2. No fishing without permit, hunting, seining, netting, giging, molesting or pursuit of any animal, in any manner, shall be permitted within the St. John Town Park District properties, provided, however, that for educational purposes, exceptions may be granted for examination, study, research and collection of specimens of wildlife or vegetation within park areas.

3. No person shall cut, break, climb on, or in any way injure or deface any lamppost, hydrant, curbstone, coping, fence, wall bench, building or other construction or property in any park.

4. No person or group of persons shall discharge any sewage or refuse matter or in any form pollute or otherwise contaminate any lake or stream in the St. John Town Park District: nor shall any person burn any combustible materials within park areas, except in receptacles provided for that purpose, nor shall any person deposit, dump or litter in such park areas any paper, garbage, refuse or trash except in receptacles provided for that purpose.

5. The operation and use of all motor vehicles within the confines of park areas is strictly prohibited. The term motor vehicle includes, but is not limited to, automobiles, motorbikes, trailbikes, snowmobiles and all - terrain vehicles.

6. No person shall ride any bicycle or other similar vehicle within the park property or on any of the sidewalks of any park or in any of the buildings or adjacent shelter areas except in designated areas and bicycle pathways.

7. The possession and use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs within the confines of any park is prohibited. No alcoholic beverages shall be sold, bought, given away or consumed in any park facility within the Town of St. John without written permission of the Park Board. All individuals or organizations must have a license or permit to sell alcoholic beverages, or other merchandise.

8. No person shall display, post or distribute any placard, handbill, pamphlet, circular, book or other writing containing commercial advertising within any park area.

9. No person shall operate a motorized boat on any lake or stream within the St. John Town Park District. Non-motorized boats may be operated by permit only.

10. The operation of miniature motor driven airplanes, rockets or automobiles is hereby expressly prohibited except in designated areas. The Park Board; however, may in their judgement, set aside days or times during which public displays or operation of such miniature airplanes, rockets, or automobiles, properly supervised, may be made.

11. Any athletic games, amusements, sports, exercises, or activities, shall be scheduled or carried on in areas designated for such purposes provided, however, that should such facilities not be in existence, then such activities may be carried on in a reasonable manner. The playing of golf or the driving of golf balls is prohibited within the St. John Park System, except in designated areas. All organized leagues requiring the regular use of any park facility shall submit their request in writing to the Park Board for approval.

ARTICLE III

1. All picnics of persons numbering more than fifteen (15) and all businesses and entertainments permitted by the Park Board shall occupy grounds to be designated by the Park Board through permits issued by the Park Board. Permits issued to parties or outings do not cover entire park -- only areas designated by permit. (10.00)

2. No person or group of persons shall operate amusements, rides, concessions or devices in any park within the St. John Town Park District without the written permission of the Park Board.

ARTICLE IV

1. No person shall remove, destroy, break, cut, deface, trim or in any way

injury or interfere with any tree or shrub that is within the park district. Provided, however, that this section shall not apply to Town employees working in the course of their employment.

2. No person shall move, injure or misuse any guard or device placed or intended to protect any tree, plant, or shrub growing within the park district.

3. No person shall, without the written consent of the Park Board, attach any electrical wire, insulator, or any other device or object to any tree or object within the parks of the St. John Park District.

4. Parking will be restricted to designated parking facilities only. Vehicles left inside of the park after closing hours will be fined and/or towed away at the owner's expense.

ARTICLE V

1. Any person who violates any provision of the Resolution should, upon conviction, be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and should be fined a minimum sum of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00).

WHEREAS, an emergency exists for the immediate taking effect of this Resolution, and the same shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval of the Park Board of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, and the Town Board of Trustees.

Passed and adopted by the Park Board of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana.

President Richard Spring
Member Frank W. [unclear]
Member Bernard L. Ducat
Member _____

Hal Troltz
Reta Pollock
James Blyth