

ORDINANCE NO. 250

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE CARE, GOVERNMENT, CONTROL, SUPERVISION AND OPERATION OF TOWN PARKS, PUBLIC SQUARES, PARK DRIVES, PLAY AND RECREATION GROUNDS; REGULATING THE USE THEREOF; DEFINING OFFENSES; AND PROVIDING PENALTIES.

The Town Council of the Town of Granite Falls, Washington, do ordain:

SECTIONS:

1. "Covered Premises" Defined - Declared Public Place
2. Injury to Park Property
3. Animals at Large Prohibited
4. Firearms and Like
5. Posting Signs, Posters and Notices-Exceptions
6. Solicit for Services or Merchandise-Exceptions
7. Loud Speakers or Amplifiers-Exceptions
8. Riding Vehicles or Animals
9. Camping and Closing Hours
10. Practicing and Playing Games
11. Refuse and Litter
12. Fires
13. Aiding or Abetting Violations
14. Penalty for Violations
15. Severability
16. Effective Date
17. Conflicting Ordinances Repealed

Section 1. When used in this ordinance, "covered premises" shall mean any real property owned by or leased or licensed to the Town of Granite Falls, and used for or as a park, public square, park road or drive, playground or public recreation area. All areas and structures within covered premises shall be deemed "public places" with respect to all penal ordinances and statutes of the State of Washington.

Section 2. It is unlawful in any covered premises to cut, injure, deface, remove, or disturb any tree, shrub, building, fence, bench or other structure, apparatus or property, or to pick, cut or remove any shrub, bush, tree, or flower, or to mark or write upon any building, fence, bench, table or any other structure.

Section 3. It is unlawful for any person to allow or permit any animal to run at large in any covered premises.

Section 4. It is unlawful to possess, use, fire, shoot or explode any firearm, fireworks or explosive of any kind or to carry any firearm, or to shoot or fire any air gun, bows and arrow, B.B. gun or use slingshot in any covered premises except designated areas provided for such activities.

Section 5. It is unlawful to use, place or erect any placard, notice, sign, or device of any kind for advertising in any park or to place or erect any structure of any kind in any park or to place or erect any structure of any kind in any covered premises, provided however, that the Park Board of Commissioners may give written permission for the erection of temporary directional signs, decorations, or temporary stands and buildings on occasions of group or public celebrations.

Section 6. It is unlawful in any covered premises to solicit or ask for any payment or gift of money or to sell, offer, or solicit for sale any goods, services or merchandise without the written permission of the Park Board or a concession contract issued by the town.

Section 7. It is unlawful to operate or use any loud speaker or mechanical means of amplifying sounds in any covered premises without the written permission of the Park Board.

Section 8. It is unlawful to ride or drive any bicycle, motorcycle, motor vehicle, horse or pony over or through any covered premises except along and upon the public roads, streets or other designated areas therein or to operate any vehicle at a speed in excess of posted speed limit; or to stand or park any such vehicle or animal, except in areas so designated. The Town Traffic Ordinance now or hereafter in effect shall apply in covered premises.

Section 9. It is unlawful to camp in any covered premises except at places set aside for such purposes by the Park Board and so designated by signs, and it is unlawful to remain, stay or loiter in any park between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. except in designated camping areas.

Section 10. It is unlawful to practice or play golf, baseball or other such games of like character in any covered premises except at places set apart for such purposes by the Park Board.

Section 11. It is unlawful to throw any refuse, litter, glass, nails, shrubbery, trimmings, junk or advertising matter in any covered premises or to deposit any such material therein, except in designated receptacles.

Section 12. It is unlawful to make or kindle any fire in any covered premises except at places designated for such purpose.

Section 13. Anyone concerned in the violation of this ordinance, whether directly committing the act constituting the offense, or who aids or abets the same; and whether present or absent; and anyone who directly or indirectly counsels, encourages, hires, commands, induces or otherwise procures another to commit such offense is and shall be a principal under the terms of this ordinance and shall be proceeded against and prosecuted as such.

Section 14. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance or who shall counsel, aid or abet any such violation, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine in any sum not exceeding THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$300.00) or by imprisonment for a term not to exceed ninety (90) days or both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 15. If any part or parts of this ordinance are for any reason held to be invalid such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage, signing and being posted in three public places in town.

Section 17. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED at a regular meeting of the Town Council of
the Town of Granite Falls, Washington, held on the 13th
day of October, 1971.

ROBERT D. HENDERSON, Mayor Pro-tem

ATTEST:
ILENE LARSON
Town Clerk