PARADISE TOWNSHIP YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2008-04

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING PARADISE TOWNSHIP PARKS INCLUDING THE HOURS/DAYS IT IS OPEN AND THE ACTIVITIES ENGAGED IN BY VISITORS TO THE PARK; REGULATING THE USE OF THE BALL FIELDS AND PAVILIONS; DESIGNATING VIOLATION OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS AS A SUMMARY OFFENSE AND PROVIDING A PENALTY THEREFORE AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE.

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINDED by the Board of Supervisors of Paradise Township, York County, Pennsylvania as follows:

SECTION 1. This Ordinance shall be known as "The Paradise Township Park Rules and Regulations Ordinance".

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall regulate the activities of persons in any park owned or operated by Paradise Township.

SECTION 3. The park shall be open from $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before Sunrise to $\frac{1}{2}$ hour after Sunset.

- (a). All reservations and permits will be issued by the Township Office and a registration fee of fifty (\$50.00) dollars will be required to ensure proper use and care of park property, fifty (50%) percent of which will be returned after inspection of the facilities by Township personnel.
- (b). Use of the Pavilions and Ball Fields shall be by permit only.
- (c). Fires will be permitted in designated areas by permit only.

SECTION 4. All persons using the park facilities shall protect, wherever possible, wildlife in the park. To accomplish this end, the following is prohibited:

(a). No person shall injure, deface, climb, mutilate, pull up, remove, or destroy any vegetation in the park, whether tree, brush, shrub, vine, fern, flower or fruit.

(b). No person shall hunt, trap, chase, capture or molest in any manner whatsoever wildlife of any kind or disturb the nests or eggs of birds or fish or homes of animals.

SECTION 5. The discharge of any type of firearm, bow and arrow, paint ball marker, air gun, sling shots, fireworks or any other weapon within the limits of the park is prohibited.

SECTION 6. Disorderly and/or immoral acts or practices are prohibited including:

- (a). The possession and/or use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs within the park is prohibited.
- (b). No person shall sell, peddle or advertise any tickets, articles or services in the park.
- (c). No person shall be intoxicated, under the influence of illegal drugs, gamble or use threatening, abusive, insulting or indecent language, fight or commit disorderly or immoral conduct of any kind.
- (d). No person shall post, display or distribute any banner or poster of private, commercial or political nature, unless part of an event approved by the Board of Supervisors.
- (e). Offering anything for sale, except by written permission of the Board of Supervisors is prohibited.
- (f). Parking of vehicles in other than designated areas is prohibited.
- (g). Careless and unsafe operation of any non-motorized, human powered equipment, including bicycles, tricycles, etc., is prohibited.
- (h). Trespassing onto adjoining properties without permission of owners of those properties.
- (i). Any practices endangering the welfare and safety of others including the hitting of golf balls or tossing lawn darts and their like, is prohibited.

SECTION 7. Dumping of rubbish, trash and littering of any kind is forbidden.

SECTION 8. It shall be unlawful for anyone to deface, mutilate, mistreat, abuse, destroy, mark, write or paint upon anything in the park whether natural or manmade.

SECTION 9. Use or operation of motor operated vehicles in the park is prohibited except in designated parking areas during the normal hours the parking lots are

open. ATV's, Snowmobiles or any two, four or more wheeled, or tracked vehicle, and recreational vehicles are prohibited anywhere in the park, including the parking lots.

SECTION 10. Groups with reservations shall have the sole use of designated reserved areas for the duration of the reservation.

SECTION 11.

- (a). Pets are permitted in the park and must be under the direct control of the owner at all times. Pet waste must be cleaned up, bagged and removed from the park by the owner.
- (b). Equestrian activities are prohibited.

SECTION 12. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- (a). The park is primarily for the use of the Township residents, however as Township property, no discrimination shall be permitted between residents of the Township and visitors from other areas.
- (b). Parents are responsible for the safety and behavior of their children within the park and no Township supervision will be available or provided.
- (c). Users of the park shall respect the rights of others and conduct themselves in a manner acceptable and becoming to others. Users of the park are required to follow the directions of Township employees, or other duly authorized authorities, who are working in or monitoring the park and activities.

SECTION 13. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION.

Any person found guilty of a violation of this Ordinance in a summary proceeding before a District Magistrate shall pay a fine of not more than six hundred (\$600.00) dollars and not less than fifty (\$50.00) dollars and the costs of prosecution and in default of payment of such fines and costs of prosecution, shall be imprisoned for not more than ten (10) days; provided each day's continuance of a violation shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 14. ENFORCEMENT.

The provisions of this Ordinance may be enforced:

- (a). By a law enforcement officer instituting summary proceedings by citation as provided by law; or
- (b). When the affiant is not a law enforcement officer, the affiant shall institute a criminal proceeding by filing a compliant with the District Magistrate as provided by law; or

(c). By another proceeding now or hereafter authorized by law.

SECTION 15. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portions shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holdings shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 16. CONFLICTING ORDINANCES.

Any ordinance inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 17. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall be effective five (5) days after enactment.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this 10th day of November, 2008.

Attest:

PARADISE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: Chairman