

RESOLUTION NO: 2021-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA, CONCERNING THE CREATION OF CERTAIN RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES BY THE PUBLIC

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code 36-10-3, the Board of Parks and Recreation (the “Board”), governing body of the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Town of Munster, Indiana, has been duly created and established under the laws of the State of Indiana (the “State”) and the ordinances of the Town of Munster, Indiana (the “Town”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code 36-10-3-10, the Board shall establish rules governing the use of the Parks and Recreation facilities by the public; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined to proceed with the creation of certain rules which are attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit “A”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Parks and Recreation of the Town of Munster, Lake County, Indiana, as follows:

1. The Board hereby determines that it is necessary for the public health and welfare, and to be of public utility and benefit, to prepare and establish certain rules governing the use of the Parks and Recreation facilities of the Town by the public, which rules are attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit “A”.

2. The Board does hereby determine that a violation of the rules as set forth above shall result in a fine not to exceed \$2,500.00.

3. Any officer or member of the Board, and any official, employee or representative of the Town is hereby authorized, empowered and directed, on behalf of the Department of Parks and Recreation, to take any other action as required or appropriate to effectuate this resolution, and any actions heretofore made, or taken be, and hereby are, ratified and approved.

4. This resolution shall take effect, and be in full force and effect, from and after its adoption. All “WHEREAS” paragraphs set forth above are made a part of this resolution.

RESOLVED and ADOPTED this 16th day of March, 2021, by a vote of _____ in favor and _____ opposed.

BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION OF
THE TOWN OF MUNSTER, LAKE COUNTY,
INDIANA

David Cerven, President

ATTEST:

Janice Uram, Secretary

EXHIBIT A

1. All parks open at 6am and close at dusk daily. Exceptions to these times include any previously authorized activities, programs, events, rentals authorized by the Board or department head.
2. Glass containers are prohibited in parks other than the Centennial Park clubhouse.
3. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited except for Centennial Park golf management contractor is allowed to serve alcohol according to the liquor license that covers that park. No outside liquor is permitted to be brought into any park. Indoor rentals at the Community Park Social Center are also allowed to have alcohol based on the facility rental process.
4. Household pets are not allowed in parks except for dogs that are under the control of their owner by a leash. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up and disposing of dog droppings from their dogs. Dog park members are allowed to remove the dog from leash only in the off-leash dog park at Centennial Park with a current membership.
5. Unauthorized use of the dog park at Centennial Park will result in a fine to all parties liable.
6. Swimming is prohibited in all public bodies of water in the park system except for the Munster Community Park Pool during open hours of operation.
7. Operation of any watercraft are prohibited.
8. Snowmobiling and downhill skiing are prohibited in parks.
9. Cross country skiing is prohibited in the Centennial Park golf course.
10. Snow sledding is only allowed in areas designated for such use.
11. No go-karts, mopeds, snowmobiles, or any other motor driven vehicle shall be operated in any of the parks, except for in designated parking lots and driveways. Town and contractor authorized vehicles are permitted for park maintenance and patrol as are golf carts through the Centennial Park golf course.
12. Golfing is prohibited in all parks, except at the Centennial Park golf course and driving range. Wiffleball golfing is allowed as long as divots are replaced.
13. Camping is prohibited in any Town of Munster park.
14. Open burning, fireworks, charcoal and gas grills are prohibited in all parks. Exception, gas grills are allowed in a designated area on the patio of the Community Park social center during indoor rentals of same facility. Food vendors for Town run activities and Centennial Park management contractor are also allowed ensuring all coals are disposed of appropriately.
15. Skateboarding, rollerblading, and bike riding is prohibited on all athletic courts (tennis, pickleball, basketball, volleyball) and the Centennial Park stage area.
16. Persons displaying permits have priority usage of park facilities including but not limited to shelters, fields and courts.
17. The moving or relocating of soccer goals is not permitted without prior approval.
18. Groups of 15 or more must obtain a permit to use a park shelter, any park facility or greenspace.
19. Use of the Centennial Park stage requires a permit for use.
20. No hunting on park property.
21. Catch and release fishing is only allowed at Maynard Lake at Centennial Park. Fishing, including ice fishing is prohibited at all other bodies of water in the park system.
22. No person shall place any sign, advertisement, circular or notice in the park, including on vehicles in park parking lots, or wayfinding signs, markings on pathways or sidewalks, without permission from the department head.

23. Commercial enterprises and concessions, including food trucks, are prohibited in Town parks without a permit from the parks and recreation department.
24. No person or business shall sell or offer for sale any article, privilege, or service within or adjacent to the park without a permit from the department.
25. No person shall bring into, leave behind, dump or litter with material of any kind in a park except refuse, garbage and other material arising from normal use and enjoyment of the park which shall be deposited in receptacles provided for such purposes.
26. No person shall injure, deface, destroy, defoul, regrade or remove any part of the park or any building, sign, equipment, or other property found therein; nor shall any person maliciously cut down, destroy or injure a standing or growing vine, bush, shrub, sapling, tree, or flower on park property.

Violations of park rules and regulations established by the Board of Parks and Recreation are subject up to a \$2,500 fine.