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COMMUNITY CENTER BOARD

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12.04.01 Creation of Board Pursuant to the authority of the A.C.A., there is hereby created and established a Community and Civic Center Board which is named the Community Center Board of the city of Lonoke, Arkansas, (the "Board"). The Board shall have authority subject to the approval of the Lonoke City Council (the "City Council"), to oversee the acquisition, design, construction equipping, maintenance, management and operation of the project as hereinafter provided. The city Council may at its sole discretion, and at any time, alter or change the structure, organization, programs, or activities of the Board, including exercising the power to terminate the Board. (Ord. No. 457, Sec. 1.)

12.04.02 Membership and terms The Board shall consist of eight (8) persons who shall be residents of the city of Lonoke, Arkansas. The members of the Board shall be appointed by the Mayor of the city of Lonoke, Arkansas, (the "Mayor"), and confirmed by the City Council.

The initial members of the Board shall serve staggered terms with three (3) members serving an initial term of one (1) year, three (3) members serving an initial term of two (2) years, two (2) members serving an initial terms of three (3) years. Successor Board members shall serve for a term of three (3) years, and each member shall serve for a term of three (3) years, and each member shall be eligible to succeed himself. In the event of a vacancy in the membership of the Board prior to the expiration of the member's term, the Mayor shall appoint a successor member to serve the unexpected term. (Ord. No. 457, Sec. 2.)

12.04.03 Organization The members of the Board shall meet and organize by electing one of their members as chairman, one as vice-chairman, one as secretary and one as treasurer, and such officers shall be elected annually thereafter in like manner. The duties of secretary and treasurer may be performed by the same Board member. The members of the Board shall receive no compensation for their services, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The city of Lonoke shall indemnify and hold harmless all members of the Board for actions taken in good faith within the scope of their authority as set forth herein. Any member of the Board may be removed by the Mayor at the Mayor's discretion. (Ord. No. 457, Sec. 3.)

12.04.04 Meetings The Board shall meet upon the call of its chairman, or majority of its members, and at such times as may be specified by the Board for regular meetings, and a majority or its members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The Board may adopt by-laws governing the conduct of its meetings. The affirmative vote of the majority of the members present at a meeting of the Board shall be necessary for any action taken by the Board. No vacancy in the membership in the Board shall impair the rights of a quorum to exercise all the rights and perform all the duties of the Board. (Ord. No. 457, Sec. 4.)

12.04.05 Powers The Board, subject to the final approval of the City Council, is authorized and empowered to:

- A. Maintain an office at such place or places in the city of Lonoke as the Board may designate from time to time;
- B. Engage an Executive Director who shall not be a member of the Board and who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board and receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the City Council.
- C. Solicit, review, and evaluate proposals from professionals, included attorneys, consulting engineers, architects, surveyors, accountants, financial experts, contractors, that the Board in its judgment may find necessary for the accomplishment of the purpose and objectives for which it has been created, and hire and fix the compensations of these professionals.
- D. Establish a budget for the acquisition, design, construction and equipping of the project, and hereafter, establish an annual budget for the maintenance, management and operation project;

- E. Hire and supervise employees and/or agents to perform the day-to-day duties of administration, operation and maintenance of the project and fix compensation of these employees and/or agents.
- F. Promulgate rules and regulations governing the operation of the project, including, but not limited to, the hours of operation, conditions for use of the various facilities located within the project, and any other rules deemed appropriate by the Board.
- G. Fix, charge, and collect rents, fees, loan repayments, interest and charges for the use of any of the facilities located within the project; and
- H. Do any and all things necessary or convenient to accomplish the purposes of the purposes and objectives for which it has been created. (Ord. No. 457, Sec. 5.)

12.04.06 Records The secretary of the Board shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board and shall be custodian of all books, documents, and papers filed with the Board and of the minute book or journal of the Board. The secretary may cause copies to be made of all minutes and other records and documents of the Board to the effect that such copies are true copies, and all persons dealing with the Board may rely upon such certificates. (Ord. No. 457, Sec. 6.)

12.04.07 Reports Once every month the Board shall cause a written report concerning its activities to be delivered to the Mayor and City Council. This monthly report may be submitted in the form of minutes of the Board’s meetings held during that month. Once in September or October, the Board shall submit to the Mayor and City Council a proposed budget for the next fiscal year, so that it may be considered in the city’s budget for the next fiscal year. (Ord. No. 457, Sec. 7.)

12.04.08 Modification of bylaws There is hereby adopted by the City Council of Lonoke, Arkansas, the amendments as proposed on the attachment relating to attendance requirements, voting by telephone and electronic message, and conflict of interest provisions. (Ord. No. 663, Sec. 1.)

CHAPTER 12.08

SENIOR CITIZENS’ CENTER

Sections:

- 12.08.01 Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program funding
- 12.08.02 Senior citizens

12.08.01 Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program funding The City of Lonoke is applying for Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program funding through the Arkansas Economic Development Commission in order to facilitate the construction and operation of a Senior Citizens Center.(Ord. No. 672, Sec. 1.)

12.08.02 Senior citizens The proposed facility is hereby dedicated exclusively to services and programs benefiting senior citizens. (Ord. No. 672, Sec. 2.)

CHAPTER 12.12

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENTS

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12.12.01 Created There is hereby created a Department of Parks and Recreation. (Ord. No. 650, Sec. 1.)

12.12.02 Director The Director of Parks and Recreation shall be chosen and supervised by the Mayor. The Department of Parks and Recreation shall be charged with the organization and administration of all parks and recreation programs, including the City Ball Park. The duties of the Director shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- A. Supervision and management of the employees and volunteers at the City Ball Park.
- B. Scheduling and managing tournaments and other events that occur at the City Ball Park.
- C. Sell advertising spaces, including team sponsorships, to raise revenues to support the City Ball Park.
- D. Operate and collect revenues from the concession at the City Ball Park.
- E. Recommend a budget to the City Council, manage the budget, report income and expenses to the city.
- F. Collect all monies received from concession, gate fees, entry fee and cause them to be accounted and delivered to the city.
- G. Report to the City Council at least monthly and at other times as requested about the operation of the City Ball Park. (Ord. No. 650, Sec. 2.)

12.12.03 Prohibited acts It is hereby declared unlawful for any person to do or to cause to be done any of the following acts within the City Ball Park:

- A. Riding, driving motorized vehicles To ride or drive a motor bicycle, automobile or any other type of motorized vehicle in any area other than a paved vehicular road or path designated for the purpose, except that vehicles used by the Parks and Recreation Department or other official city vehicles and motorized wheel chairs and other similar devices used by handicapped persons are excepted from this provision. No vehicle, whether motor driven or not, shall be allowed in any pavilion or on any tennis court or basketball court.
- B. Parking To park in other than an established or designated parking area.
- C. Repairing, washing vehicles To repair or wash vehicles.
- D. Speed limits To drive or operate any motor vehicle in excess of fifteen (15) miles per hour.
- E. Firearms and fireworks To carry or discharge any firearms, firecrackers, rockets, torpedoes or any other fireworks, except that city-sponsored events or permitted events with city permission are excepted from this provision.
- F. Riotous, etc. conduct; abusive, etc. language To indulge in riotous, boisterous, threatening, bullying, or indecent conduct or use abusive, threatening, profane, or indecent language.
- G. Disturbances To disturb in any manner any picnic, meeting, service, concert, exercise, sporting event, or exhibition
- H. Fires To make a fire for any purpose except in places provided therefore.
- I. Hours To remain in any park between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and sunrise of the following day, excepting city-sponsored events or sports-related tournaments (such as softball or baseball tournaments) in progress.
- J. Rubbish, refuse To throw or leave paper, bottles, cans or other rubbish anywhere except in the receptacles provided for that purpose or the placing of any refuse therein brought from private property.
- K. Handbills, circulars, etc. To distribute any handbills or circulars or to post, place, or erect any bill, notice, paper, or advertising device or matter of any kind. Anyone wishing to post flyers notifying the public of upcoming community events must seek the permission of the city and such permission shall be dependent upon space available.

- L. Solicitations To practice, carry on, or solicit for any trade, business, occupation, or profession except as authorized by the city.
- M. Injury, etc. to park animals To catch, injure, destroy, or interfere in any way with rabbits, birds, squirrels, or any animals located in the park.
- N. Damage, removal, etc. or property To damage, remove, cut, break, break into, injure, deface, or disturb any tree, shrub, plant, building, cage, pen, monument, fence, bench, or other structures, apparatus, or equipment; or to pluck, pull up, cut, or remove any shrub, bush, plant, flower, or signs.
- O. Defacing, etc. buildings, etc. To mark or write upon, paint, or deface in any manner building, restroom, play apparatus or equipment, fence, bench, sign, or any other structure.
- P. Pollution of waters; poisoning, etc., animals To pollute in any manner the water of any fountain, spring, pond, lake, or stream or to poison or feed animals spoiled food.
- Q. Throwing sticks, stones, rubbish, etc., into waters To throw or place stones, sticks, cans, or rubbish or any other substance, matter, or thing, liquid or solid, into any fountain, pond, lake or stream.
- R. Activities creating danger or nuisance To participate in any activity on any public park are when such activity will create a danger to the public or may be considered a public nuisance. However, the Parks and Recreation Department may designate particular locations within park areas for specific activities.
- S. Alcoholic beverages For any person to have in his or her possession, custody, or control any alcoholic beverages of any kind whatsoever unless such beverages are in transit and remain in their original containers, unopened, inside a vehicle. (Ord. No. 650, Sec. 3.)

12.12.04 Fine Any person who violates any of the provisions of 12.12.03 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall upon conviction be fined in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense. Any person found guilty of any prohibited acts of this ordinance a second and subsequent time(s) shall, in addition to any fines and restitution, be banned from entrance to all city parks for a period not to exceed one (1) year. Any person found guilty of re-entry into the parks before the expiration of a banned period of time shall be fined an additional amount up to Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for each offense and may be charged with trespass or any other available criminal penalty. (Ord. No. 650, Sec. 4.)