EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2007 - 03

AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 2203 OF THE SECOND CLASS TOWNSHIP CODE, AMENDING AND RESTATING ORDINANCE 2006-02 REGULATING THE USE AND ENJOYMENT BY THE PUBLIC OF ANY PARK OR RECREATION GROUNDS OWNED OR OPERATED BY EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP AND ESTABLISHING RULES FOR THE USE THEREOF AND PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF. EFFECTIVE FIVE DAYS FROM ENACTMENT.

AND NOW, this 28th day of March 2007, the Board of Supervisors of East Fallowfield Township hereby enacts and ordains as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. Purpose; implementation. The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide rules and regulations for the use of and conduct in the parks and recreation areas of East Fallowfield Township. The Township reserves the right to, and may from time to time, through the Park and Recreation Board, enact rules and regulations which it considers necessary and proper to implement the provisions of this Ordinance.

<u>Section 2</u>. **Regulations.** The following rules and regulations apply for all East Fallowfield Township active recreation parks, and must be complied with by all persons within those parks:

- A. Parks are open from dawn to dusk, and no person shall enter or remain in such parks before or after those times, **unless permission is obtained by the Township**.
- B. Overnight parking is prohibited.
- C. Possession of, or being under the influence of, any illegal drug, alcoholic beverage or controlled substance is prohibited.
- D. Disorderly conduct, including the use of indecent language or excessive noise, is prohibited. Any noise shall be deemed excessive and in violation of this regulation if it disturbs the peace of any individual or impedes the peaceable use of the park or any adjacent residence or business.
- E. Firearms, slingshots, pellet guns, air rifles, archery equipment, fireworks, explosives or other dangerous materials are prohibited.
- F. Vandalism to park property and facilities, including defacing or damaging park property, disturbing wildlife and destroying/removing vegetation, is prohibited.
- G. Littering is prohibited, and all refuse shall be placed in trash receptacles (if provided) or removed by the person(s) generating the refuse. This includes cigarette buttes.
- H. Barbecues, cookouts, grilling and open fires are prohibited except within the picnic grills provided for such purpose. Any fire must be completely extinguished before the person who started the fire leaves the park. Hot ashes or burning materials may not be dumped into any trash receptacles or elsewhere within the park.
- I. Pets must be kept on a leash and under control of a responsible person at all times.

- J. Pet owners are required to clean up after their pets and deposit any used pet waste bags in a trash receptacle. (Pet owners are encouraged to use pet waste bags provided in the park).
- K. Bicycles, roller skates and in-line skates may only be operated in designated areas.
- L. Use of fields and pavilions, or other facilities by organized groups of 15 or more persons is prohibited without a permit obtained from East Fallowfield Township. (Permit applications are available at the East Fallowfield Township Building).
- M. Hunting and trapping are prohibited on and across park property.
- N. Fishing is permitted. PA Fish and Boat Commission laws apply.
- O. Swimming, ice-skating, and ice fishing are not permitted.
- P. Motorized vehicles must be licensed and are restricted to designated areas. Maximum speed in the parks is 15 mph. All vehicles are prohibited from unauthorized areas. No person shall park outside of designated areas or park in such a way as to block any fire lane, maintenance road, or trail.
- Q. Camping is prohibited.
- R. Feeding of any wildlife and waterfowl on the Park property is prohibited.
- S. Soliciting or peddling on Township park property is prohibited, except under special conditions established by the Township.
- T. The Township, at its sole discretion, may impose terms and conditions in addition to the park rules and regulations as conditions for the issuance of a special use permit.
- U. There is no smoking on East Fallowfield Township Properties.

Section 3. Posting of rules and regulations. The rules and regulations described above in Section 2 shall be conspicuously posted in all East Fallowfield Township active recreation parks. The posting required by this section shall be placed and maintained by the East Fallowfield Township Code Enforcement Officer or his/her designee.

<u>Section 4.</u> Violations and penalties. In accordance with the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. § 67203(b), any person who violates the rules and regulations adopted within this Ordinance, as set forth above, commits a summary offense. The Board of Supervisors of East Fallowfield Township shall enforce the above rules and regulations by an action brought before the District Justice with competent jurisdiction in the same manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure. Any person violating any one of the above described rules and regulations shall pay a fine not exceeding \$1,000 and/or shall be imprisoned for a period not more than 90 days per violation. A separate offense for violating the above described rules and regulations shall arise for each day the offender violates a rule or regulation and for each rule or regulation violated.

Section 5. Effective date. This amendatory ordinance shall be effective five (5) days from the date of enactment.

ENACTED and ORDAINED this <u>28</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2007.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP

Garth Monaghan, Chairman

Denny Howell, Vice Chairman

George Broadbent, Member

ATTEST:

Denise Miller, Secretary