

BOROUGH OF OAKLAND BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 24-CODE-942

“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT AND REVISE THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, and CHAPTER 2 ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION” BY ESTABLISHING A RECREATION COMMITTEE”

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Chapter 2, Section 7.7 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough Oakland, be repealed and replaced with the following:

SECTION 1:

a.

Composition. A Recreation Committee in the Borough is hereby established which shall consist of seven regular members who are citizens and residents of the Borough and two alternate members who are citizens and residents of the Borough.

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Members Appointed. The members of the Recreation Committee shall be appointed by the Mayor.

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Term of Office. All appointments for regular members and alternate members shall be for a period of five years and until their respective successors are appointed and shall qualify. All vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term only.

d.

No Salaries for Member's Services. The members of the Recreation Committee shall receive no salary or other compensation for their services.

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Purpose. The purpose of the Recreation Committee is to help meet the social and recreational needs of the community by developing and running a wide variety of sports programs and activities and by working to improve the Borough's parks and recreational facilities.

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Committee Procedures. Upon the appointment of the members of the Recreation Committee, the Committee shall organize and elect such officers and adopt such rules and regulations, subject to approval of the Governing Body, as the Committee may deem necessary for the faithful discharge of its duties and for the proper exercise of the powers.

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Control of Facilities. The Recreation Committee shall adopt suitable rules, regulations and bylaws for the use of all lands, playgrounds and recreation places, and the conduct of all persons while on or using the same, subject to approval of the Governing Body. Any person who shall violate any such rules, regulations or bylaws shall be deemed and adjudged to be a disorderly person.

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Employees. The Recreation Committee may appoint a Secretary or Clerk and such number of camp staff and assistants for the several playgrounds and recreation places under its control as they shall think necessary and proper and shall fix and determine their respective salaries in accordance with the Salary Ordinance of the Borough, subject to the approval of the Mayor and Council of the Borough.

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Annual Report. The Recreation Committee shall make an annual written report on or before the first day of February of each year and transmit the same to the Mayor and Council of the Borough. The annual written report shall contain an itemized accounting of all activities, receipts, disbursements, expenditures and number of employees for the full year.

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Authorization to Establish Fees for Use of Facilities. The Recreation Committee, in conjunction with Borough Administration, shall have the power to recommend certain fees to be charged for participation in the Committee's programs and activities and to those entities who desire to use the various recreation facilities in the Borough under the control of the Recreation Committee. Such fees shall be considered by the Mayor and Council, and incorporated into the Ordinance which establishes recreation fees. Such fees, once established, shall immediately be posted in the Borough Hall and published in the official newspaper.

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Collection of Fees. It shall be the responsibility of the Recreation Committee to collect the fees charged by the Recreation and to promptly deliver such fees to the Borough Treasurer for deposit in segregated trust accounts relating to the Recreation Committee. Capital & Field Use Fees charged for use of the recreation fields and/or properties shall be deposited in a separate trust account, the purpose of which shall be to aid in the maintenance of such fields and grounds. The fees that are generated for sports participation shall be deposited in a separate Trust account for the purpose of running the sports/recreation programs.

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Expenditure of Fees. Expenditures by the Recreation Committee of any of the fees collected by the Recreation Committee may only be made pursuant to applicable state and local procurement rules and regulations.

SECTION 2:

All Ordinances of the Borough of Oakland which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3:

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4:

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

Adopted this ____ day of
_____, 2024.

Eric Kulmala, Mayor

Wendi Seelin, Acting Borough Clerk