

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16 OF MONTICELLO CITY CODE, CONCERNING PARKS AND RECREATION; ALLOWING THE HOST OF FISHING TOURNAMENTS ON LAKE MONTICELLO UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS FOR THEREOF.

Whereas, the City Council of Monticello, Arkansas has determined that the present Ordinance, Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of Fishing Tournaments at Lake Monticello are overly broad, overly burdensome and not in the best interest of the City of Monticello; and

Now therefore be it ordained by the City Council of Monticello, Arkansas, the Chapter 16 Monticello City Code, concerning parks and recreation, is amended to read as follows:

**"Sec. 16-26-30. Reserved."**

**Article III. Lake Monticello**

**Sec. 16-31. Fishing tournament permit, when required.**

It shall be unlawful for any person, business, or organization to host a fishing tournament of any kind, without having obtained a permit from the mayor for such conditions as may be prescribed in said permit.

**Sec. 16-32. Fishing tournament permit application.**

(a) All applications for permits shall be made to the City, that shall issue a permit based upon its compliance by the applicant with provision of this article and of any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, and of any other applicable legal requirements.

(b) Applications for permits shall be in writing signed by the applicant as to the truth of the statement of facts set forth in the application, which shall contain the following:

- (1) Club Name. The name of the organization or group.
- (2) Club Representative. The name of the person responsible for submitting the application and required reporting.
- (3) Address, City, State, Zip and Phone. The current address and phone number of the Club Representative
- (4) Date and times of Tournament. The date and times of the weigh-in for the tournament.
- (5) Estimated Number of Anglers. The estimated total number of people participating in the tournament whether actually fishing or not.
- (6) Target Species. The species the tournament will target participates to fish.

**Sec. 16-33. Responsibilities of tournament organizers.**

The tournament organizer(s) as identified by the Permit shall have the following responsibilities:

I. To provide the City proof of completion of the Arkansas Tournament Information Program (ATIP) Weigh-In Summary Report to the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.

II. To comply with state or local regulations.

**Sec. 16-34. Fishing tournament limitations, dates.**

(a) Tournament activity shall be limited to dates requested and approved in the permit.

(b) The city shall not issue a permit authorizing a fishing tournament on a date which another fishing tournament has already been permitted.

**Sec. 16-35. Penalties.**

The penalty for each separate violation of this ordinance shall be a fine of not more than \$250.00 as determined and enforced by Drew County District Court.

**Sec. 16-36. Public use not limited.**

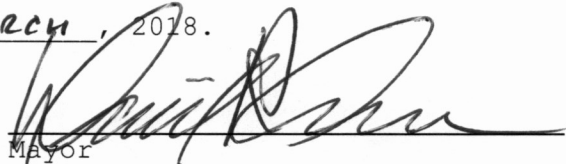
The issuance of a permit will not prohibit the public's use of recreation resources which are normally open to the public and at which the tournament will be held.

That an emergency is declared to exist and this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

ORDAINED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2018.

  
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City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved on this 27 day of MARCH, 2018.

  
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Mayor