AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PARKS AND PARK FACILITIES IN THE CITY OF CONWAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

WHEREAS, the City seeks to update its general policies, procedures, rules and regulations for the use and enjoyment of city parks in the City of Conway;

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is in addition to and supplemental to other ordinances;

WHEREAS, if any provision of other Ordinances, other than those affecting Lake Beaverfork Park, conflict with this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall be deemed to supersede and repeal, to the extent of any conflict, the prior ordinances;

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall not repeal or amend ordinances or municipal code sections affecting Lake Beaverfork Park;

WHEREAS, the Parks Department may promulgate those rules, regulations and policies not adopted herein but necessary for the efficiency of its day-to-day operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: RULES AND REGULATIONS

A. Quiet hours are between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

B. No person shall stay after quiet hours within a public park or city owned and operated facility except by special written permission granted by the office of the mayor or his designee. This includes but is not limited to camping, sleeping, or lodging.

1. Special written permission will be limited to no more than two (2) consecutive nights.
2. Usage of Expo Center RV Park is restricted to city events.
3. In addition to any other sanction that may be assessed for the violation of this provision, any person in violation of this rule shall be subject to the immediate removal from the park of their person and belongings.

C. It is prohibited to offer for sale any food, drink, merchandise, or service without Parks Director approval.

D. Vehicles are restricted to designated roads and parking areas only.

E. Removal of any City property is prohibited.

F. No person shall use restrooms designated for the opposite sex unless such person is under the age of six (6) years and is accompanied by his parent or guardian.
G. No person shall use any portion of any park or facility for toilet purposes, except the public restrooms or provided portable toilets.

H. Hunting is prohibited on park property.

I. Open fires in city parks without a permit are prohibited.

1. No permit shall be issued without a fire permit from the Conway Fire Department and approved by Parks Director.

J. All unauthorized use of fireworks and or explosive devices is prohibited.

Section 2. The Parks Department may promulgate those rules, regulations and policies not adopted herein but necessary for the efficiency of its day-to-day operations.

Section 3. These rules and regulations shall be supplemental and in addition to all ordinances, or parts of ordinances, relating to Parks and Recreation in the City of Conway and shall repeal only those Ordinances, or parts of Ordinances, in direct conflict herewith. This ordinance does not amend, repeal or replace ordinances or code sections specific to Lake Beaverfork Park. Ordinance A-518 Section 3 (E) regarding firearms is hereby repealed.

Section 4. PENALTIES:

Failure to comply with these rules, policies and regulations can result in a warning, eviction from park facilities, restriction of access to park facilities or be considered a violation of this ordinance, punishable by a fine of no less than $25.00 nor more than $100.00 per occurrence; violations which are continuing in nature may be treated as an ongoing violation and upon conviction, each day of the violation may be treated as a separate offense and fines assessed up to $100.00 per day.

Section 5. That this ordinance shall be effective from and after its passage and publication.

Passed this 24th day of July, 2012.

Approved:

[Signature]
Mayor Tab Townsell

Attest:

[Signature]
Michael O. Garrett
City Clerk/Treasurer