

ORDINANCE NO. 123-96

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE REGULATION  
OF CAMPING AT COUNTY LINE PARK AND  
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 113-91

WHEREAS, the Counties of Cowlitz and Wahkiakum have cooperatively operated the County Line Park for the purpose of public recreation since 1974; and

WHEREAS, the Cowlitz County Parks and Recreation Department has proposed and recommended certain changes in the rules governing camping at County Line Park; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Wahkiakum County, Washington, has determined that the Rules and Regulations governing camping at County Line Park should be amended;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAHAKIACUM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Section 7 of Ordinance No. 113-91 adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on August 13, 1991 and RCWC 53.12.070 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

"CAMPING. A. No person shall camp within the park except at places set aside for such purposes by the Board of County Commissioners and so designated by signs.

B. No person shall camp within the park without first having been issued a temporary stay permit. Temporary stay permits may be issued by the Director or a Park Host.

C. In order to afford the general public the greatest possible use of the park, on a fair and equal basis, and to prevent residential use, camping shall be limited to a maximum of seven (7) consecutive nights in the park, after which the camping unit must vacate the park for three (3) consecutive nights.

D. The number of vehicle occupying a campsite shall be limited to one car or one recreational vehicle.

E. Occupants of a designated camping space shall vacate said space by removing their personal property therefrom prior to three p.m. on the afternoon next following the last night of permitted camping. The occupants may, however, remain in other areas of the park for purposes other than camping until the normal closing time of the park.

F. The Board of County Commissioners may by resolution set a fee for temporary stay permits. When fees are in effect, they are due and payable upon arrival at the camping space. The daily fee covers use of the space until the vacating time of three p.m. the following day.

G. A Park Host may be appointed by the Director to remain at the park for an extended period of time to assist park personnel by providing expanded services such as furnishing information to visitors, checking restrooms, picking up litter, performing other minor maintenance tasks and contributing additional surveillance to reduce vandalism or potential problems. The Park Host may also be authorized by the Director to distribute temporary stay permits and to collect any fees assessed for such permits."

Section 2. The enactment of this Ordinance does not have the effect of terminating or in any way modifying any civil or criminal liability in existence prior to the effective date of this Ordinance. The enactment of this Ordinance shall not affect any proceeding heretofore instituted under Ordinance No. 113-91.

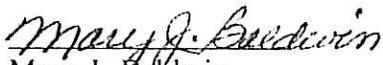
Section 3. If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

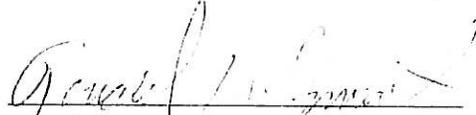
Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect on May 15, 1996.

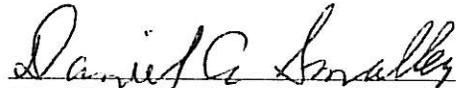
**DULY PASSED AND ADOPTED FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARING THEREON**  
this 7th day of May, 1996.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WAHKIAKUM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

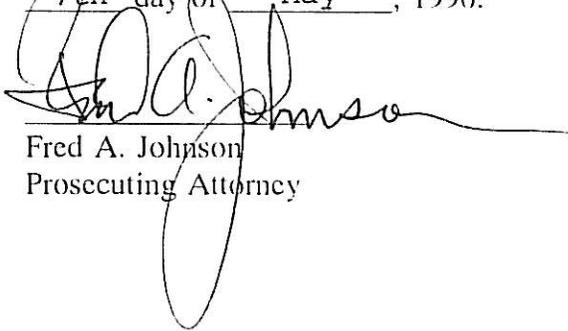
**ATTEST:**

  
Mary J. Baldwin  
Clerk of the Board

  
Ronald D. Ozment, Chairman

  
Daniel A. Smalley, Commissioner

**APPROVED AS TO FORM** this  
7th day of May, 1996:

  
Fred A. Johnson  
Prosecuting Attorney

  
Mark L. Doumit, Commissioner