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3 **ORDINANCE: Amend Section 19.17 of the General Code for Winnebago County Relating**
4 **to Firearms, Bows, and Trapping in County Parks**

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6 **TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

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8 **WHEREAS**, it is necessary that Section 19.17 of the General Code of Winnebago County relating to firearms,
9 bows, and trapping in Winnebago County Parks be modified to accommodate changes made to Wisconsin State
10 Statutes pertaining to the possession of firearms; and,

11 **WHEREAS**, the Winnebago County Parks and Recreation Committee has reviewed and recommends approval
12 of modifications made to Section 19.17 of the General Code of Winnebago County in order to accommodate legislative
13 changes made to § 175.60, Wis Stats, relating to firearms.

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby
15 amends Section 19.17 of the General Code of Winnebago County to read as follows:

16 **19.17 FIREARMS, BOWS, TRAPPING.**

17 (1) ~~It shall be unlawful for any person to carry, fire, discharge or have in his/her possession, or under his/her~~
18 ~~control within any County grounds, park or recreation trail, any firearm, airgun, slingshot, bow, or spring loaded device~~
19 ~~designed for shooting a projectile unless the same is unloaded and enclosed in a carrying case, or any bow unless the~~
20 ~~same is unstrung or enclosed in a carrying case, or have in his/her possession a trap(s) which can be used for trapping~~
21 ~~animals. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the use of the aforementioned weapons on designated target ranges in~~
22 ~~parks or other designated areas therein. *A person who complies with state law regarding the possession of*~~
23 ~~*firearms may have in his or her possession or under his or her control a firearm while in a County park, with*~~
24 ~~*the exception that firearms may be prohibited at special events within a County park, as that term is defined*~~
25 ~~*by § 943.13(1e)(h), Wis Stats, provided that proper notice has been provided at all designated public access*~~
26 ~~*entrance points to the special event. Additionally, persons may be restricted, upon proper notice, from*~~
27 ~~*carrying firearms into a park building, including any park structure that is either fully or partially roofed, and*~~
28 ~~*such prohibition shall be pursuant to State Statute.*~~

29 (2) *The use or discharge of bows, slingshots or spring loaded devices designed for shooting a*
30 *projectile, shall be prohibited except in designated target ranges in County parks or other park areas as*
31 *approved by the Parks Director or his or her designee.*

32 (3) *While in a County park, no person may have in his or her possession a trap(s) which can be used*
33 *for trapping animals.*

34 ~~(4)~~ (4) *Nothing in this section shall restrict the County or its authorized agents from disposing of*
35 *nuisance animals in accordance with regulations established by the State Department of Natural Resources.*

36 (5) *No person shall throw stones in any County park property.*

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38 **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that said amendment to the
39 General Code of Winnebago County shall become effective on the date following the date of publication..

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Submitted by:

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Committee Vote: **5-0**

Vote Required for Passage: **Majority of Those Present**

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Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this _____ day of _____, 2015.

Mark L Harris
Winnebago County Executive