ORDINANCE: Amend Sections 19.24 and 19.25 of the General Code of Winnebago County to Reflect the Elimination of Swimming Activities at the Community Park Swim Beach and Establish the Beach House as a Pavilion Available for Day Rentals

TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, in following with the recommendations expressed by both the Parks and Recreation Committee and the Ad Hoc Committee to study beach programming options, it is appropriate to discontinue the practice of facilitating swimming activities at the Community Park Swim Beach and to hereafter redirect usage of the facility towards another purpose; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the most practical function of the beach facility would be to serve as a park pavilion to be made available for day rentals; and

WHEREAS, comparison of the fees applied to similar facilities and services located in other municipalities demonstrates the appropriateness of instituting a separate fee category from the charges applied at each of the existing park shelters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that effective January 1, 2012, Section 19.24 FEES AND CHARGES, (2) (a) and (b), and (3) of the General Code of Winnebago County be amended to reflect the establishment of the Pavilion rental facility in place of the former Community Park Beach House (Service Center) and that Section 19.24 (2) (a) and (b), & (3) thereafter read as follows:

19.24 FEES AND CHARGES:

(1) No person shall use any facility, land, or area for which a fee has been established by the Committee without payment of such fee.

(2) The following fees shall apply for the reserved use of picnic shelter buildings at the Community Park:

(a) COMMUNITY PARK FEE SCHEDULE

| Facility | Group Size | Weekday Charge | Weekend Charge |
|-------------------|---|--|--|
| Shelters 1 & 2 | Up to 150 151 – 300 301 – 1000 Over 1000 | \$40.00 \$70.00 \$130.00 \$210.00 | \$50.00 \$70.00 \$130.00 \$210.00 |
| Shelters 3 & 4 | Up to 50 50 - 150 151 – 300 301 – 1000 | \$30.00 \$40.00 \$70.00 \$130.00 | \$35.00 \$50.00 \$70.00 \$130.00 |
| Pavilion | Up to 150 151 – 300 301 – 1000 Over 1000 | \$110.00 \$170.00 \$210.00 \$255.00 | \$135.00 \$170.00 \$210.00 \$255.00 |
| Open Air | Small Groups | \$10.00 | \$10.00 |

Director. (b) A security deposit of not less than \$25.00 \$100.00 may be required at the discretion of the Parks

(3) The availability for partial or full rental of the Community Park Service Center Pavilion shall be at the discretion of the Director and shall be a negotiated price with a minimum charge starting at \$15.00 \$30.00 for the initial hour of use.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that Section 19.25 BEACHES (1) (a) of the General Code of Winnebago County be amended to reflect the elimination of swimming activities at the former Community Park Swim Beach and that Section 19.25 thereafter read as follows:

19.25 BEACHES WATERFRONT AREAS:

(1) No person in a park shall:

(a) Swim, bathe, or wade in any waters or waterways in or adjacent to any park, except in such waters and at such places in which swimming is specifically permitted and in compliance with such regulations as are herein set forth or may be adopted thereafter.

(b) If permitted, swimming at all park areas shall be strictly at the person's own risk.

Note: The remaining portion of Section 19.25, which mainly refers to beach regulations, is to be deleted.

Fiscal Note: The introduction of the Pavilion rental category is estimated to net the program an additional \$2,500 over and above the average annual shelter rental income of \$8,000.

Submitted by:

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Committee Vote: 4-0

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

Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this _____ day of October, 2011.

Mark L Harris Winnebago County Executive