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# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER IX OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE <u>PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREAS</u> ADDING A NEW SECTION REGULATING THE USE OF ATHLETIC FIELDS

WHEREAS, the Deptford Township Council has provided for athletic fields for the playing and enjoyment of organized sports activities; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council provides funding for operations and capital improvements to these Township owned athletic fields; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council has delegated the operation and maintenance of these athletic fields to the respective volunteer youth sports associations; and

WHEREAS, these volunteer youth sports associations also raise money for the maintenance, operation and capital improvements to these athletic fields; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council believes it necessary to clarify the use of these athletic fields for the continued enjoyment and safety of organized youth sports activities;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Deptford, County of Gloucester that Chapter IX of the Township Code Parks and Recreational areas is hereby amended as follows:

## SECTION 1. Paragraph 9-4 ATHLETIC FIELDS

The Athletic Fields referenced in this Paragraph include:

- a. Oak Valley Little League fields and Girl's Softball fields on Princeton Boulevard;
- b. Deptford Township Little League fields on Almonesson Road;
- c. Girls' Softball fields on Almonesson Road;
- d. Midget Football fields on Taylor Lane; and
- e. Soccer fields on Cattell Road.

# SECTION 2. Paragraph 9-5 USE OF FIELDS

- a. The Oak Valley Little League fields and the Girl's Softball fields on Princeton Boulevard shall only be used for organized, boy's little league and girl's softball activities sanctioned by Little League Incorporated.
- b. The Deptford Township Little League fields on Almonesson Road shall only be used for organized boy's little league activities sanctioned by Little League Incorporated.
- c. The Girl's Softball fields on Almonesson Road shall only be used for organized girl's softball activities sanctioned by the Deptford Girl's Softball Association.
- d. The Midget Football fields on Taylor Lane shall only be used for organized midget football activities sanctioned by the Garden State League.
- e. The Soccer Fields on Cattell Road shall only be used for organized youth soccer activities sanctioned by the Deptford Township Soccer Association.
- f. The respective sports organizations referenced above may permit the use of their fields by public and private schools which are attended by Deptford Township students.

## SECTION 3. Paragraph 9-6 PRIVATE VENDORS

No private vendors shall enter upon the athletic complexes except for the taking of team photos when permitted by the respective sports associations.

# SECTION 4. Paragraph 9-7 OAK VALLEY LIGHTS

The lights at the Oak Valley Little League fields shall only be used during the Spring/Summer seasons and shall only be lit until 10:00 P.M.

#### SECTION 5. Paragraph 9-8 ENFORCEMENT

The Township Manager or those he shall designate shall enforce the Provisions of this amendment pursuant to paragraph 9-1.3.

#### SECTION 6. Paragraph 9-10 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Any person or persons found to be in violation of the provisions of this amendment shall, upon\_conviction, be subject to the General Penalty established in Chapter 1-5 of the Township Code

# SECTION 7. Paragraph 9-11 SAVINGS CLAUSE

If any chapter, section, subsection or paragraph of this ordinance is declared to be unconstitutional, invalid or inoperative, in whole or in part by a court of competent jurisdiction such chapter, section, subsection or paragraph shall, to the extent that it is not force and effect and such determination shall not be deemed to invalidate the remaining chapters, sections, subsections or paragraphs of this section.

## SECTION 8. Paragraph 9-12 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after notice and publication pursuant to law.

## **TOWNSHIP OF DEPTFORD**

BAIN, JR. MAYOR

ATTEST DINA L. ZAWAÐSKI, CL

# **CERTIFICATION**

The above Ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Deptford held on the 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004 and will be taken up for final consideration and passage at the Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of the Township of Deptford to be held at the Municipal Building, 1011 Cooper Street, Deptford, NJ, Gloucester County, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2004 at 6:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at which time any person interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

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