

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE HUDSON, INDIANA, CODE RESTRICTING THE USE OF SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER SKATES, IN-LINE SKATES, ~~AND SIMILAR DEVICES~~ WITHIN HUDSON PARKS

WHEREAS, the current Hudson Code fails to adequately control the use of skateboards and other similar devices within Hardy Park; and

WHEREAS, the improper use of skateboards ~~and similar devices~~ causes damage to the facilities in the park; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HUDSON, INDIANA that the Hudson Code is hereby amended by adding the following provisions:

1. **USE IN PUBLIC PARKS PROHIBITED.** Use of skate boards, roller skates, in-line skates, coasters, scooters, toy vehicles and similar devices is prohibited in all public parks, specifically including Hardy Park and any additional parks or public areas that may be designated.
2. **USE BY HANDICAPPED PERSON.** This section does not apply to mobility handicapped persons using a motor-driven, wheeled device on a sidewalk, at a parking spot, or within the parks.
3. **CONFISCATION OF EQUIPMENT.** If a juvenile (a person under the age of 18) is cited for a violation of this ordinance, the police officer citing the offender may take possession of the skateboard, roller skates, in-line skates, coaster, scooter, toy vehicle or other similar equipment and secure it until the ordinance violation is resolved. If a person over the age of eighteen (18) is cited for a violation, the officer citing the offender may take possession of the skateboard, roller skates, in-line skates, coaster, scooter, toy vehicle or other similar device and secure it until the ordinance violation is resolved.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any violation of this Ordinance shall subject the violator to the fines and court costs associated with traffic offenses and violations as established by the Fremont Town Court.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that after passage of this Ordinance and any publication required by law, the Town shall erect signs as necessary.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Town Council and any legal publication necessary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ___ day of _____, 2007.

Sean Walker, President, Town Council

Brian Hayes, Member

Gene Hamm, Member

ATTEST:

Atta Hayes, Clerk-Treasurer