

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH REPEALING CHAPTER 29 "OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES" ARTICLE VI "DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL SERVICES" FROM THE WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP CODE

2024-06

WHEREAS, the Woolwich Township Director of Municipal Services has resigned from said position and it is difficult to replace the position with all of the requirements and job descriptions therein; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Woolwich finds it to be in its best interest to repeal said Article VI of Chapter 29 of the Township Code in order to spilt job responsibilities for transition of the office; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to repeal Article VI "Department of Municipal Services" of Chapter 29 "Officers and Employees" of the Code of the Township of Woolwich; and

WHEREAS, it is further necessary to remove all references to the "Director of Municipal Services within various section of the Township Code:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Woolwich as follows:

SECTION 1 Repeal

Article VI "Department of Municipal Services" of Chapter 29 "Officers and Employees" of the Code of the Township of Woolwich be and is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 2 Amendments

Allocation of Fields and Facilities shall be amended as follows:

A.

The fields/facilities use a schedule created ~~by the Director of Municipal Services~~ that will establish the opening and closing dates for field/facilities use, as well as the period of time affected by that schedule. The schedule will serve as a permit for use of the facility named. Responsible officials within the Township (police, emergency services, Public Works Department, and others) will receive a copy of the fields/facilities schedule.

[Amended 2-19-2019 by Ord. No. 2019-03]

B.

Communication is the key to efficient maximization of use of scarce recreational facilities. Consistent with that goal, any assigned user must notify the ~~Designated Township Official~~~~Director of Municipal Services~~ ~~or the Director's designee~~, of expected nonuse of a particular facility, at a particular time. Every effort should be made to do so at least seven calendar days in advance. This nonuse policy does not apply to weather cancellations.

[Amended 2-19-2019 by Ord. No. 2019-03]

C.

Notes concerning scheduling.

(1)

Priority of assignment is made based upon the categories established above. Priority is given within a particular sport's designated season. In-season sports have equal status to each other; out-of-season sports have equal status to each other. Recognizing that most sports have some program on more than an in-season basis, consideration should be made to accommodate the out-of-season sport's minimum necessary allocation for games as a first priority and practices as a second priority. Assignment of particular fields will be done with an effort towards accommodating such use rather than simply on a preference basis; efficient, coordinated use is the goal.

(2)

Game delays. Youth sports activities are often subject to delays due to late-arriving opponents and/or officials, or emergencies. In such cases, use may extend beyond the normal time. Likewise, overtime and extra innings can require additional time. Other users take their starting time subject to previous team's right to complete their games and with the knowledge that termination of the activity is not solely within the control of the representative. However, practices may not delay the start of the next user session.

(3)

Field closings due to weather. Fields may be closed to all users for an extended period time of more than one day by the Department of Public Works ~~and, at times, Director of Municipal Services~~. These conditions include, but are not limited to, field under water, severe damages that make it unsafe/unplayable, field reconstruction and the need to rest fields. Information on field closings can be accessed by the ~~Superintendent of Public Works~~ Director of Municipal Services. It is the responsibility of league presidents and athletic directors to notify their coaches and players. Destruction or damage done to any playing field due to use in unsatisfactory conditions may be cause for forfeiture of permit at the discretion of the Township of Woolwich.

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135-11 Field Modifications shall be amended as follows:

Any proposed changes to fields or parks should be submitted to the Superintendent of Public Works ~~Director of Municipal Services~~ to consider impact upon facility use. Those requested changes, along with a recommendation, will then be forwarded to the Woolwich Township Committee for consideration. This would include the development of active recreation areas from property not currently used for that purpose. It may include the installation of fields, fences, structures, scoreboards, permanent stands and permanent and temporary lighting. It would not include the replacement of any current structure (an old backstop with a new one of roughly the same size) or the repair or replacement of existing fencing. These types of items will be the responsibility of the Township Committee. The placement location of all movable

items (portable bases, soccer goals, batting cages, blocking sleds, temporary fencing, etc.) will be the responsibility of the league, organization or club using the facility.

SECTION II REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION III EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication according to law.

TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH

ATTEST: _____
Jane DiBella, Clerk

Natalie Matthias, Mayor, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing ordinance was introduced upon first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Woolwich at a regular meeting held on the ~~17th day of July, 2023~~20th day of February, 2024. It will be further considered for final adoption upon a second reading and subsequent to a public hearing to be held on such ordinance at a meeting of the Township Committee at which time any interested person(s) may be heard. Said meeting to be conducted on the ~~21st day of August~~4th day of March, 2024, 2023 at the Woolwich Township Municipal Building, 120 Village Green Drive, Woolwich Township, New Jersey, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Jane DiBella, Township Clerk