Seasonal Campsite Permits, Regulations — Vandalia Lake

The following is a summary of City Ordinances pertaining to seasonal Campsite permits, Regulations - Vandalia Lake.

Seasonal permits not to exceed one lot shall be granted for a term beginning March 1st on any calendar year and ending on March 1st of the next succeeding year, upon proper application made on application forms to be provided by the City, which said application shall be filed with the City Clerk of the City of Vandalia, accompanied by a payment of the rental fee in advance by the applicant, provided that all permits shall first be approved by the Lake Committee.

The rental fee to be charged for each lot shall be determined by the City Council and all permits shall terminate on March 1st of the next succeeding year.

The City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue a permit to said applicant, which said permit shall be subject to all rules and regulations established by this Ordinance, and other Ordinances herein referred to. All permits issued shall be for recreational purposes and shall be subject to the following restrictions:

- No permanent structure shall be (a) erected and no trailer shall be placed on a permanent foundation on any lot. No more than one (1) roofed unit (tent or trailer) suitable for or used for human habitation shall be placed on any lot. Upon the granting of an Accessory Building Permit by the Lake Committee of the City of Vandalia, one (1) Accessory Structure may be placed or erected upon a lot. It shall have a floor area not to exceed 100 feet and shall be completely enclosed. It shall be used for storage purposes only and shall be placed within twenty (20) feet of the roofed unit suitable or used for human habitation. The Accessory Structure shall be of such a design and construction and so located as to not detract from the appearance of either the lot upon which it is located or the lots adjacent thereto.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, deposit, or permit to be deposited in any unsanitary manner or any of the permit areas, any human animal excrement, garbage, or any objectionable waste, and it shall be unlawful to discharge any sewage or other polluted waters in said area.
- (c)It shall be unlawful to construct or maintain any privy, privy vault, septic tank, cesspool, or other facility intended or used for the disposal of sewerage except a sanitary holding tank constructed and installed pursuant to the following rules:
 - (1) The tank shall be of a type and by a manufacturer approved by the City.
- (2) The top of the holding tank shall be a minimum of 24 inches below grade and a clean out and inspection tile with a tight cover shall be installed to existing grade level.

- (3) All joints below level shall be sealed with asphalt flashing cement and the tank must be water tight.
- (4) Tanks shall be located as directed by the City of Vandalia and in no case closer than 100 feet from lake water level, and the bottom of the tank shall never be lower than elevation 528.
- (5) Tanks shall be pumped out when contents are 1 foot below tank lid. This shall be done by a City authorized pumper only, at the permit holder's expense. This shall be the lessee's responsibility and lessee shall be subject to a fine and loss of the permit if this rule is not complied with. Tanks shall be inspected before back fill is completed.

Tanks become the property of the City of Vandalia upon installation and may not be removed without the written consent of said City. Camping trailers equipped with toilet facilities, consisting of a closed chemical toilet, properly equipped for storage of all waste and disposal thereof, shall be permitted; however, said facilities shall be subject to inspection by the City and said facilities shall be kept in a sanitary condition and shall be periodically cleaned, at the expense of the owner, by persons or corporations authorized by the Lake Committee which said persons or corporations shall be equipped with proper equipment and facilities so as to cause all waste to be removed in a proper and sanitary manner and so as to not cause pollution to the lake.

- (d) No grading shall be done upon any permit area nor shall any tree exceeding four inches in diameter be cut or removed until the plans for grading or removal of the tree have been approved by the Lake Committee or a duly authorized agent of the City of Vandalia.
- (e) All permit sites shall be kept neat and clean, free of all weeds and underbrush and the permit owner shall remove, in a sanitary manner, all paper, garbage, rubbish, cans, bottles and debris.
- (f) No boat dock shall be built except upon approval of the Lake Committee and issuance of a dock permit. No permanent or floating boat dock shall be built except in accordance with the rules set forth by the Lake Committee.

All docks and piers failing to meet the approval of the Lake Committee shall be removed at the owner's expense.

- (g) The permit holder shall hold the City of Vandalia harmless from any damages arising from any accident occurring on the permit location held by them and dock or pier adjacent thereto.
- (h) City of Vandalia shall not be responsible for any damages caused to the property of the permit holder.
- (i) A permit holder of the lot assigned to him is responsible for enforcing all rules and Ordinances pertaining to said lot.
- (j) Lessees of the annual camping lots on the North side of Lake Vandalia shall maintain on a continuing basis

two signs identifying the lots by black numbers on white background, with numbers not less than three inches in height. One sign shall be visible from the lake and located not more than 30 feet from the water's edge, and the other sign shall be visible from the road and located not more than 30 feet from the road side of the lot. If this is not done by lessee, the city of Vandalia will do it at Lessee's expense. All transfers of leases must be approved by the City Council and any person wishing to obtain a lease through transfer must be on the waiting list in the City Clerk's office.

The rules, regulations and provisions of Ordinance No. 1967-7-A passed and approved by the City Council in the City of Vandalia, Illinois on the 3rd Day of July, 1967, and Ordinance No. 1968-8-19B passed and approved by the City Council of the City of Vandalia, Illinois on the 19th day of August, 1968 shall be in full force and effect and shall be expressly incorporated in this Ordinance.

Any person violating the provisions of this Ordinance, unless otherwise indicated, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. The minimum fine hereunder shall be the sum of Five (\$5.00) Dollars and the maximum fine hereunder shall be One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars. Each day that the condition or act in violation of this Ordinance shall remain or continue shall be deemed on the part of the person guilty of such a violation to be a separate and distinct offense. Except as may be otherwise provided by law, all fines and penalties recovered or received hereunder shall be paid to the City and shall be used for policing, care, supervision, maintenance and improvements of any and all areas within the Reservoir and the marginal lands thereto.

Upon conviction by any permit holder of any violation of this Ordinance, the permit issued to said holder shall be revoked. Dumpster Trash Fees are assessed in 2023 in amount of \$17.50 per lot lease and in 2024 in amount of \$35.00 per lot.