

Ordinance 2016-10

An ordinance establishing restrictions upon recreational fires within the corporate boundaries of McLouth, Kansas.

Amending Chapter VII, Article 2, Creating Section 7-205a

Be it Ordained by the Governing Body of the City of McLouth:

7-205a RECREATIONAL FIRES, REQUIREMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS. (a) No person shall burn or permit the burning of vegetation, leaves, waste, or other combustible material except as permitted under Section 7-205 and this section. A recreational fire does not include small, self-contained oil fueled devices such as a "Tiki torch" or lantern, provided that in the judgment of the Fire Chief, the burning of said devices is done in a safe and responsible manner.

(b) A recreational fire, defined as an outdoor fire burning permitted materials and contained within an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, portable outdoor fireplace/pit, barbeque grill or barbeque pit, or otherwise suitable metal structure not more than three (3) feet in diameter and two (2) feet in height, is permitted, so long as:

(1) The fire consists only of seasoned dry firewood to minimize the generation of air contaminants. The fire shall not be used for waste disposal purposes;

(2) The fire is constantly attended by an adult of at least eighteen years of age, and is at no point left unattended;

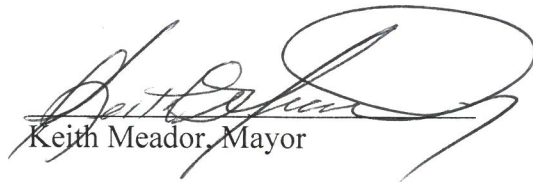
(3) Fire extinguishing equipment is available at all times while the fire is burning; and

(4) The fire is not permitted to burn within twenty feet of a structure.

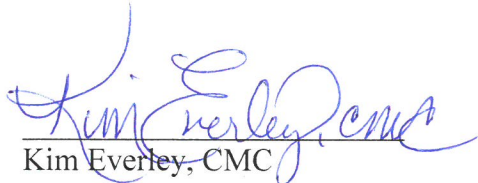
(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, the Fire Chief is empowered to extinguish any fire that, in his discretion, presents a hazardous or objectionable situation to the public at large.

(d) Violations of subsections (a) and (b) of this Section are punishable by a fine of no more than \$500 for a first offense, and \$1,000 for a second and any subsequent offenses.

Passed and Approved by the City Council this 18 day of October, 2016.



Keith Meador, Mayor

Attested by:


Kim Everley, CMC
City Clerk



Form and Legality Approved By:



Trevin Wray, City Attorney