

TITLE 12

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CHAPTER 12.04

RECREATION COMMISSION

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12.04.01 Established There is hereby authorized, created and established a commission which shall be known as the Crossett Recreation Commission for the purposes and to have the powers and perform the duties which are prescribed in this article by the City Council. (Ord. No. A-30, Sec. 1, Oct. 4, 1948.)

12.04.02 Terms The Recreation Commission shall be composed of five members, who shall be qualified electors of the city and who shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority of the City Council. The members shall serve for a term of five years. One member of the City Council may be designated by the Mayor as an *ex officio* member to serve until expiration of his term as councilmember. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority of the City Council. The Mayor and superintendent of public schools of the city shall be *ex officio* members of the Commission. Any commissioner may be removed for cause by a majority of the City Council. Each member of the Commission shall

execute the oath of office required of public officials of the state. The commissioners shall receive no salary but shall be reimbursed actual expenses from the recreation fund. If a member either ceases to be a qualified elector of the city or misses three consecutive meetings, a vacancy shall exist. (Ord. No. A-30, Sec.2, Oct. 4, 1948; Ord. No. A-570, Sec. 1, Jan. 27, 1995.)

12.04.03 Powers

- A. The Recreation Commission shall be the custodian of all buildings, grounds, parks, equipment and facilities belonging to the city which are used in recreational activities or set aside by the city for that purpose. The Commission shall manage, operate, maintain and keep in a good state of repair such buildings, grounds, parks, equipment and facilities. The Commission shall be charged with the economical and efficient business management of such recreational facilities and for this purpose shall have the power to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations for operating such facilities and for the use by the general public of such facilities.
- B. The Commission shall formulate plans for and establish a recreation program to:
 - 1. Purchase equipment and supplies and to submit to the City Council for approval plans for the construction of additional buildings, grounds, parks and facilities that may become necessary.
 - 2. Accept gifts and donations on behalf of the city for recreational programs and facilities.
 - 3. Utilize revenues obtained from the operation of the city recreational facilities for recreational purposes.
 - 4. Cooperate with civic organizations for the improvement and expansion of the recreational program.
 - 5. Receive and use private property for recreational purposes with the consent of the owners.
 - 6. Perform other acts and things delegated to the Commission by the City Council. (Ord. No. A-30, Sec. 3, Oct. 4, 1948.)

12.04.04 Hiring and compensation The Recreation Commission shall have the right to employ directors and instructors for recreational work and such other employees required for the efficient management and operation of the recreational program and facilities. The Commission shall fix and regulate the salaries of the employees subject to the approval of the City Council. The Commission may delegate to managers and directors such of its powers and duties as the

Commission may deem necessary. All employees whose duties involve the handling of public funds shall be required by the Commission to post a surety bond in the amount approved by the City Council. The expense of posting of such bonds shall be properly chargeable against the recreation fund. (Ord. No. A-30, Sec. 4, Oct. 4, 1948.)

12.04.05 Recreation fund The funds derived from the operation of recreational facilities and any other funds appropriated or received by the Recreation Commission for the use of the recreation program shall be deposited with the City Clerk/Treasurer in a special fund which is hereby designated as the City Recreation Fund and disbursement shall be made from the fund only upon the authority of the Commission or by authority of the City Council, and in the manner required by law for the disbursement of city funds. (Ord. No. A-30, Sec. 5, Oct. 4, 1948.)

12.04.06 Appropriations The Recreation Commission shall submit quarterly reports to the City Council, or more often if required by the Council, detailing the operation of the recreation program and a financial statement of same and the City Council may appropriate funds to make up deficits or provide additional funds that in the opinion of the City Council may be required. (Ord. No. A-30, Sec. 6, Oct. 4, 1948.)

CHAPTER 12.08

SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Sections:

12.08.01	Established
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12.08.04	Duties

12.08.01 Established There is hereby established a board of trustees which shall be known as the Board of Trustees of the Crossett Senior Citizens' Center. (Ord. No. A-568, Sec. 1, Jan. 27, 1995.)

12.08.03 Members The Board of Trustees shall consist of nine members who shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority of the City Council. The trustees shall be qualified electors of the city and shall be 55 years of age or older. The trustees shall consist of one member of the City Council, two members of the local AARP chapter, two members of the local SCORE chapter, two members of the local chapter of the Area Agency on Aging and two members of the local chapter of the Retired Teachers' Association. The initial chairman of the

Board shall be the initial city councilmember. Thereafter, the Board shall elect one of its members as chairman. (Ord. No. A-568, Sec. 2, Jan. 27, 1995.)

12.08.04 Vacancies The Board of Trustees shall have control of the usage of the Senior Citizens' Center Building, and the supervision, care and custody of the grounds. Trustees shall serve two-year terms. Trustees may be removed for cause by a majority vote of the City Council. If a trustee ceases to be a qualified elector of the city, or misses three consecutive meetings of the Board, a vacancy shall exist. Vacancies shall be filled by the Mayor and confirmed by a majority of the City Council. (Ord. No. A-568, Sec. 3, Jan. 27, 1995.)

12.08.05 Powers The Board of Trustees shall:

- A. have the powers of a body corporate, including the power to sue and be sued, and to make contracts.
- B. be authorized and empowered to rent, lease, buy, own, acquire, mortgage, or otherwise encumber and dispose of such property, real or personal, as the Board may deem proper to carry out its purposes.
- C. appoint, employ and dismiss at its pleasure such employees as may be selected by the Board, and to fix and pay the compensation thereof.
- D. have the power to adopt, alter or repeal its own bylaws, rules and regulations governing the manner in which its business may be transacted, and in which the power granted to it may be enjoyed.
- E. be authorized and empowered to do any and all other acts and things necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Board. (Ord. No. A-568, Sec. 4, Jan. 27, 1995.)

CHAPTER 12.16

LAKE LUCAS PARK

Sections:

- 12.16.01 Hours of operation
- 12.16.02 Lucas Pond
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12.16.01 House of operation

- A. The city park which is bounded by State Highway 133 on the east, Parkway Drive on the north, Lakewood Addition on the south, and unimproved lands of Georgia-Pacific Corporation on the west, and which is also sometimes known as Lake Lucas Park, shall be closed to all persons between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. daily and all persons are prohibited from remaining in or entering into or upon any part of the city park described above between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. This prohibition shall not apply to the attendants at or participation in any regularly scheduled softball or baseball game located at a softball or baseball facility located within the park provided that such persons leave the park area immediately upon completion of the game.
- B. The City Recreation Commission shall post signs in conspicuous places around the park stating that the park will be closed to the public during the hours indicated above.

- C. Any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be deemed guilty of a class B misdemeanor as defined by the Arkansas Criminal Code now in effect or as it may be amended from time to time and shall be subject to imprisonment for a period not exceed 90 days and a fine not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or both. (Ord. No. A-423, Sec. 1, July 21, 1980.)

12.16.02 Lucas Pond

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to use or operate any gasoline-powered motorboat in that part of Lucas Pond located within the corporate boundaries of the city. However, it shall be lawful for a person to operate a boat powered by an electric or battery-operated motor on Lucas Pond. (Ord. No. A-517, Sec. 1, Aug. 20, 1990.)
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to use or set any trotline, multihook line or any other unattended fishing line in that part of Lucas Pond located within the corporate boundaries of the city. (Ord. No. A-323, Sec. 2-2, Aug. 16, 1971.)
- C. It shall be unlawful for any person to swim in Lucas Pond. (Ord. No. A-597, Sec. 2, April 15, 1996.)

12.16.03 Arkansas Game and Fish Regulations applied

- A. All regulations established or amended by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, with respect to the regulation of any matter within the jurisdiction of that commission, shall apply to Lucas Pond and the surrounding areas owned by the city of Crossett.
- B. The following limitation are hereby set on the following fish located within Lucas Pond:
 - 1. Crappie – 8 inches and over, limit of thirty.
 - 2. Bass – 12 inches and over, limit of five.
 - 3. Catfish – 12 inches and over, limit of ten.
 - 4. Bream, limit of thirty.
(Ord. No. 2004-6, Sec. 1, April 19, 2004.)

CHAPTER 12.20

CROSSETT HARBOR

Sections:

12.20.01 Swimming and skiing

12.20.01 Swimming and skiing It shall be unlawful for any person to swim, ski or operate a boat pulling a skier along or in the Crossett Harbor ship channel and turning basin east from its intersection with the Quachita River. (Ord. No. A-470, Sec. 1, June 23, 1986; Ord. No. A-524, Sec. 1, May 20, 1991.)

CHAPTER 12.24

SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL FIELDS

Sections:

12.24.01 Time limits

12.24.02 Definitions

12.24.01 Time limits It shall be unlawful for any person to participate in any softball or baseball game within the city limits on any city-owned property after 11:00 p.m. local time. (Ord. No. A-384, Secs. 1-4, May 17, 1976.)

12.24.02 Definitions

Participate in shall mean any player, coach, referee, scorekeeper or any other person directly connected with the playing of such softball or baseball game.

Local time shall mean central standard time during those months in which standard time is in effect and shall mean daylight saving time when those hours are in effect as provided for by either state or federal law. (Ord. No. A-384, Secs. 1-4, May 17, 1976.)

CHAPTER 12.28

KONE CROSSLAND ZOO

Sections:

12.28.01 Hours of operation

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- A. The Parks and Zoo Commission shall be responsible for posting signs near the entrance gates to the Kone Crossland Zoo located on Parkway Drive in the city, which signs shall state the hours that the zoo is closed to the public.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person to enter the enclosed, fenced area of the city park known as the Kone Crossland Zoo during hours that the area is closed as posted on the signs.
- C. Any person violating this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined a sum of not less than Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) and not more than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). (Ord. No. A-333, Secs. 1-3, Aug. 21, 1972.)