PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS ORDINANCE

Section I. Title/Purpose. This ordinance is entitled “Parks and Playgrounds Ordinance.” The purpose of this Ordinance is as follows:

To promote the safety, health and general welfare by regulating the use of parks and playgrounds in the Town of Shelby.

Section II. Adoption of Ordinance. The Town Board of the Town of Shelby hereby adopts the following:

A. The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Shelby shall have the jurisdiction and authority of Park Commissioners in the enforcement of this Ordinance.

B. Rules and Regulations in Parks and Playgrounds.

1. Speed Limit and Traffic. No person shall drive any vehicle in parks and playgrounds except upon established roadways, and then only at a rate of speed not to exceed fifteen (15) miles per hour. All roadways which run through parks and playgrounds shall be kept open and free so that traffic flow is not interrupted.

2. Horses and Prohibited Vehicles. All riding, driving, and possession of horses, snowmobiles, go-karts, mini-bikes, dune buggys or other types of motorized vehicles not licensed for road travel is expressly prohibited.

3. Pets. All pets shall be kept under the control of its owner by means of a leash, chain, or rope. The owner shall immediately clean up said pet’s defecation. The Town of Shelby may ban pets in certain parks if they deem necessary.

4. Destruction of Property. No person shall in any manner deface or injure any building, tree, shrub, plant, sod, fence, or other property.

5. Fires. No fire shall be lighted or made except in places specifically provided for such purpose.
6. **Weapons and Explosives.** The use of air guns, slingshots, firearms, explosives, bow and arrow, fireworks, and weapons on any character is strictly prohibited.

7. **Littering.** No person shall throw, deposit, or leave any paper, food, trash or similar article, excepting in the receptacles provided for waste and trash.

8. **Disorderly Conduct.** No person shall use any loud, violent, obscene or profane language, nor shall anyone conduct him or herself in a disorderly or violent manner or commit any nuisance.

9. **Playground equipment.** All playground equipment, benches, shelter houses, and fireplaces, shall be used properly, and any person, negligently or intentionally damaging the same shall be responsible for the costs or repair or replacement. Roller blading, roller skating, skateboarding, bicycling and all such similar activities are prohibited on the tennis courts.

10. **Closing Hours.** The Town Board shall establish a closing hour for all parks and playgrounds, and after the posting of such closing hour, it shall be unlawful for any person to enter or be upon any park or playground after the hour designated.

11. **Amplified Sound.** There shall be no amplified sound, music or noise of any kind in any park or playground. There shall be no excessive noise of any kind that disturbs adjoining land owners of the park or other persons using the park.

12. **Shelter Renting.** Anyone renting a shelter in Mormon Coulee Park shall sign a shelter use agreement as specified by the Town Board.

13. **Sports Tournaments.** There shall be no sports or baseball tournaments in any park or playground unless approved by the Shelby Town Board.

14. **Entering and Leaving.** Only designated entrances shall be used to enter or leave any park or playground.

15. **Camping.** There shall be no overnight camping in any Shelby Park.
Section III. **Enforcement and Penalties.** Any person who violates, disobeys or refuses to comply with or who resists the enforcement of any provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to a forfeiture of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) for each such offense.

Section IV. **Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable, and it is expressly declared that the Town Board would have passed the provisions of this Ordinance irrespective of whether one or more provisions may be declared invalid, or if any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section V. **Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication. The provisions of this Ordinance shall prevail over any previous ordinances of the Town of Shelby that are or may be in conflict therewith.

Date passed: March 22, 2010

_Lynnetta P. Kopp, Town Chair_

_Randall R. Knapp, Town Supervisor_

_John O. Zahn, Town Supervisor_

ATTEST:

_Catherine Brott, Town Clerk_