

**CHAPTER 31**

**RECREATION**

**ARTICLE I – SWIMMING POOL BOARD**

**31-1-1**        **CREATION.** A Swimming Pool Board for the City, to be known and designated as “Gibson City Swimming Pool Board” is hereby established. The Board shall consist of **five (5) persons** to be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the City Council. The term of each member shall be **three (3) years**. If a vacancy occurs in the office of any board member, the Mayor shall appoint a successor to serve the unexpired term. The Mayor may, by and with the advice and consent of the City Council, remove any board member for misconduct or neglect of duty. (See Section 1-2-41)

**31-1-2**        **POWERS AND DUTIES.** The Board shall have the power to maintain, equip and operate the swimming pool and the buildings thereon and for that purpose may employ leaders, directors, supervisors, superintendents or such other officers or employees as it shall deem proper. The Board shall have to power to provide, maintain, equip, and operate swimming pools in any public park or land or building dedicated or set apart therefor. Such Board shall have the power to provide for the sanitation for the swimming pool and shall provide proper protection for the public in the use thereof. It may charge and collect reasonable fees for the use of the swimming pool to cover the cost of operation thereof. (Ord. No. 437; 04-27-71)

**31-1-3**        **ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY.** The Board shall have the power to accept any grant or devise of real estate or any gift or bequest of money or other personal property or any donation, the principal or income of which is to be applied, for either temporary or permanent use of swimming pool purposes, on the condition, however, that if the acceptance thereof for swimming pool purposes will subject the City to expense for improvements, maintenance or renewal, the acceptance shall be subject to the approval of the City Council.

**31-1-4**        **DEPOSIT OF MONIES.** All monies received for swimming pool purposes, unless otherwise provided for by the terms of the gift or bequest, and all monies received for such purposes from levies made by the City for swimming pool purposes shall be deposited to the account of the Swimming Pool Board.

**31-1-5**        **LEVY OF SPECIAL TAX.** There shall hereafter be levied and collected a tax of not less than **.025 percent** and not more than **.09 percent** of the full, fair cash value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City, which tax shall be designated as a playground and recreation tax for swimming pool purposes and shall be levied and collected in like manner as the general tax of the City is levied and collected.

**31-1-6**        **PAYMENT OF EXPENSES.** The expenses of the Swimming Pool Board in and about the establishment, maintenance and conduct of swimming pool centers shall be paid out of the taxes or out of the money received as, or realized from, gifts received for swimming pool purposes; and expenditures shall be made under the direction of the Swimming Pool Board upon warrants drawn upon the Treasury of the Swimming Pool Board.

**(Ord. No. 98-0-08; 04-27-98)**

**ARTICLE II - PARKS**

**31-2-1**        **PARK COMMITTEE.** The standing committee on Parks and Buildings shall supervise and administer the City park activities.

**31-2-2**        **DUTIES.** The Committee shall recommend to the City Council whatever is necessary to staff, maintain, and equip the park programs and grounds.

**31-2-3**        **ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY.** The Committee may recommend to the City Council to accept any grant or devise of real estate or any gift or bequest of money or other personal property or any donation, the principal or income of which is to be applied, for either temporary or permanent use of park purposes, on the condition, however, that if the acceptance thereof for park purposes will subject the City to expense for improvements, maintenance or renewal, the acceptance shall be subject to the approval for the City Council.

**31-2-4**        **DEPOSIT OF MONEYS.** All moneys received for park purposes, unless otherwise provided for by the terms of the gift or bequest, and all moneys received for such purposes from tax levies made by the City for park purposes shall be deposited to the park and park maintenance account.

**31-2-5**        **LEVY OF SPECIAL TAX.** There shall hereafter be levied and collected a tax of not more than **.075 percent** of the full, fair cash value, as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue, all taxable property within the City.

**31-2-6**        **RESERVED.**

**28-2-1**        **PARK HOURS.** All parks and recreation areas under the ownership or jurisdiction of the City shall be closed to all persons from the hours of **11:00 P.M.** until **5:00 A.M.** daily. (Ord. No. 93-0-10; 07-12-93)

**28-2-2**        **EXEMPTION.**    Persons who are camping in areas designated for camping and persons who are merely traversing through such park or recreation area from one point to another shall be exempt from the provisions of **Section 28-2-1. (Ord. No. 93-0-10; 07-12-93)**