

CHAPTER 32 RECREATION BOARD

3.31. **Department of Recreation.** Under authority of Act No. 156, P.A. of the State of Michigan 1917 (section 123.51 to 123.54 et seq. C.L. Michigan 1948) there shall be in the City and with the cooperation of the Ludington Area School District, a Department of Recreation, the head of which shall be a part-time Recreation Director; appointed by the Ludington Area School Board and approved by the Mayor and City Council of the City.

3.32. **Departmental Duties. It shall** be the duty of the said Department of Recreation to operate a system of public recreation suitable to the needs of the City, including to the extent deemed necessary the supervision and maintenance of playgrounds, playfields, gymnasiums, swimming pools, indoor recreation centers, winter sports areas, etc., and it shall have power to expend for this purpose any funds appropriated for Recreation by the City Council or the Board of Education and any funds donated or bequeathed for Recreation purposes by private individuals or organizations or other sources.

3.33. **Recreation Board.** A Recreation Board shall be appointed by the Mayor with the approval of the City Council to act in an advisory capacity in matters pertaining to the operation of the Recreation Department and recreational activities.

3.34. **Board Members.** The Board shall consist of two (2) members of the City Council, one (1) member of the Ludington Area School Board, four (4) members-at-large with two (2) recommendations for appointment reserved to the City and two (2) recommendations for appointment reserved to the Ludington **Area** Schools, and one (1) member appointed by each Township that shall participate by paying the proportionate share of the cost of providing recreational services and programs to the residents of such township.

3.35. **Terms; Compensation. Initial terms** of office shall be as follows: City Council-one (1) member for one (1) year, one (1) member for two (2) years; Board of Education-One (1) member for two (2) years; members-at-large-two (2) members for one (1) year, two (2) members for two (2) years. After initial election, all terms of office will be two (2) years. Members appointed by a participating Township shall serve terms of two (2) years, but only during years when such Township shall par-

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ticipate by paying the proportionate share of the cost of providing recreational services and programs to its residents. All members are to serve without compensation, and may not be employees of the Recreation Department who work more than an average of fifteen (15) hours per week for the Recreation Department. However, any member who is an employee of the Recreation Department working less than fifteen (15) hours per week shall not take part in any discussions or vote upon any matter involving such members employment or compensation, and shall disclose such employment to the Board.

3.36. Organization of Board. The members of the said Board shall elect their own chairman, and the Director of Recreation shall be the Board's secretary. The Board shall also elect other necessary officers and shall have powers to adopt rules and regulations for the conduct of all business within the jurisdiction of the Board. Said Board will meet at least twice annually; in May to review recreational programs, and in December to review the proposed annual operating budget.

3.37. Recreation Fund. There shall be a Recreation Fund under the control and custody of the City Treasurer, and there shall be deposited therein all funds, fees, charges, money in the hands of or allocated to recreation within the City as formerly constituted. Such fund to be established and maintained by annual appropriation of the City, voluntary donations, gifts and bequests, and entire revenue derived from the operation of the Recreation system.

3.38 Policy and Intent. It is **declared to be** the policy and intent of the City Council, and the Ludington Area School District to conduct wholesome and constructive forms of recreation activities to employ the leisure time of adults and children on a non-promotional basis, emphasizing the desire of the Ludington Area School Board and the City Council to optimize programs for youth under the age of eighteen (18).