

ORDINANCE NO. 82-14

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 81-7, AN ORDINANCE OF NASSAU COUNTY PROHIBITING LITTERING, USE OF GLASS CONTAINERS; REGULATING CAMPING; ESTABLISHING TRAFFIC DIRECTIONS; REQUIRING THE CONTROL OF HORSES AND DOGS; DESIGNATING SWIMMING AND SUNBATHING AREAS; PROHIBITING EXCESSIVE VEHICULAR SPEED AND CARELESS AND RECKLESS VEHICLE OPERATION; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF CERTAIN PORTIONS OF OTHER ORDINANCES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners finds that the health and well-being of the citizens of Nassau County are being threatened by littering, the use of glass containers and unrestricted camping on the beaches contiguous to the Atlantic Ocean, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners further finds that the unrestricted use of vehicles, horses and other animals on the beaches contiguous to the Atlantic Ocean is a threat to the health and well being of the citizens of Nassau County.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners that this Ordinance be passed to include the following:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS:

~~1.)---LITTERING-is-the-placing-by-any-manner-whatsoever-upon-the-Atlantic-Beaches-any-material,-whether-organic-or-inorganic-and-allowing-that-material-to-remain-~~

1.) LITTERING is the throwing, discarding, placing or depositing of Litter in any manner on the Atlantic Beaches.

~~2.)---DESIGNATED-PARKING-AREAS-are-those--areas--which--are-within-two-hundred--(200)--yards-north-of-the-extension-of-the-centerline-of-any-public-beach-vehicular-access---There-shall-be-no-parking-in-these-areas-designated-as-a-no-parking-area-by-the-Board-of-County-Commissioners-~~

2.) LITTER is any garbage, rubbish, trash, refuse, can, bottle, container or paper materials.

3.) DESIGNATED SWIMMING AND SUNBATHING AREAS shall be those areas designated ~~by-the-City-Manager-by-the-placing-of-pylons-as-it-applies-to-these-areas-in-the-city-limits,-and~~ by the Civil

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Defense Director by the placing of pylons as it applies to those areas outside the city limits. However, the County Commission may direct those designations otherwise.

~~4.) --- DESIGNATED --- DRIVING --- AREAS --- shall --- be --- those --- areas designated by the City Manager by the placing of pylons as it applies to those areas in the city limits, and by the Civil Defense Director by the placing of pylons as it applies to those areas outside the city limits.~~

4.) MOTOR VEHICLE includes:

(a) Automobiles, motorcycles, mopeds, motor trucks, trailers, semi-trailers, tractor trailer combinations, recreational vehicle-type units including travel trailers, camping trailers, truck campers, and motor homes, and all other vehicles used as a means of transporting persons or property and propelled by other than muscular power.

5.) CAMPER includes:

(a) Recreational vehicle-type units primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use, which either have their own motive power or are mounted on or drawn by another vehicle. This includes travel trailers, camping trailers, truck campers or motor homes.

#### SECTION 2. VIOLATIONS:

1.) It shall be unlawful for motor vehicles to drive on the Atlantic Beaches except as follows:

~~(a) All traffic on the beach between the Sadler Road access to Belle Glade access shall flow one way southward except when entering a designated parking area. There shall be no parking in these areas designated as no parking areas by the Commission.~~ All motor vehicles entering the beach at the access points listed below shall make a right turn only and flow one way southward:

1. Belle Glade
2. Peters Point

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(b) ~~All-traffic-south-of-Belle-Glade-access-may-be-two way-within-the-designated-driving-areas.~~ All motor vehicle traffic south of Belle Glade shall be two way.

(c) ~~All-traffic-north-of-the-Lowenstein-Street-access may-be-two-way-within-the-designated-driving-areas.~~ There shall be no two-way traffic north of Belle Glade.

(d) ~~No-vehicular-traffic-shall-be-permitted-north-of the-Designated-Parking-area-at-the-Sadler-Road-access-and-south of-the-Lowenstein-Street-access.~~

(d) Subsections (a) through ~~(d)~~ (c) above shall be effective only during the period of April 1 through September 30 during the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

2.) It shall be unlawful and it is hereby prohibited for any person or persons to litter any of the Atlantic Ocean beaches of Nassau County. All litter shall be placed in the receptacles provided or carried away by the visitor from these areas.

3.) (a) ~~Camping-is-prohibited-on-any-Atlantic-Ocean-beach unless-within-a-designated-camping-area-by-permit-and-provisions are-made-for-self-contained-sanitary-waste-disposal.~~ It shall be unlawful and it is hereby prohibited for any person or persons to camp on any Atlantic Ocean beach in a designated swimming or sunbathing area or in the dunes.

(b) It shall be unlawful to create a public disturbance or leave camping areas in a littered fashion.

(c) It shall be unlawful and it is hereby prohibited for any person or persons to camp ~~in-a-"camper"~~ on any Atlantic Ocean beach who does not have a self-contained sanitary waste disposal unit.

4.) The use of any glass containers on the Atlantic Ocean beaches is hereby prohibited.

5.) Absolutely no vehicles or horses are allowed on the dunes or vegetation or ~~outside-the-designated-driving-areas~~ within the designated swimming or sunbathing areas. Horses shall be under the control of the rider at all times. Horses shall be governed under the established traffic and littering laws.

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6.) No open fires shall be permitted on any area of the Atlantic Beach without obtaining a permit from any of the fire stations on Amelia Island.

7.) It is unlawful to exceed vehicular speed limit of fifteen miles per hour (15 m.p.h.) or operate a vehicle in a careless or reckless manner.

8.) Dogs may be permitted on the Atlantic Ocean beaches but must be under leash at all times as defined by the code of laws and ordinances of Nassau County and their owners shall not permit such dogs to be at large.

SECTION 3. PENALTIES:

Any violation of any portion of Section 2 of this Ordinance shall be a separate violation of this Ordinance and upon conviction in the County Court the violator may be fined up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00), or receive up to ten (10) days incarceration in the County Jail.

SECTION 4.

Any Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

This Ordinance shall be effective upon becoming law.

DONE and ADOPTED in regular session this 22nd day of June, 1982.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

By: Douglas Hodges  
DOUGLAS HODGES  
Its: Chairman

ATTEST:

By: T. J. Greeson  
T. J. GREESON  
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk