

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE GALLATIN COUNTY BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS RESTRICTING MOTORIZED USE IN COUNTY OWNED PARKLAND AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF RESTRICTION

THIS RESOLUTION was introduced by the Board of Park Commissioners, moved by Commissioner <u>C. Collins</u> and seconded by Commissioner <u>P. Finnegan</u>This resolution was adopted unanimously

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2004, the Gallatin County Commissioners, pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 7-16-2301 et. seq., created a Board of Park Commissioners (Resolution No. 2004-130); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners manages and oversees all county park land within Gallatin County; and

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 7-16-2322(i) provides that the Board of Park Commissioners may make rules to protect and promote the improvement of land and facilities under the care and control of the board, and

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 7-16-2322(ii) provides that the Board of Park Commissioners may make rules for the use of the land and facilities by the public; and

WHEREAS, Mont. Code Ann. § 7-16-2322(iii) provides that the Board of Park Commissioners may provide penalties for the violations of park rules; and

WHEREAS, the unauthorized use of motorized vehicles causes increased erosion of soils and accelerates the spread of noxious weeds on county parklands.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

That it is a violation of this resolution and hereby subject to civil penalties for any person in a Gallatin County park to:

- 1. Operate a motorbike, motorcycle or other motor vehicle on county owned parklands or trails unless posted as open to motorized use.
- 2. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to law enforcement, emergency, or rescue vehicles used in the performance of official duties.

3. The Board of Park Commissioners reserve the right to designate motorized areas or issue any necessary licenses or permits and the making of any required designations pursuant to the provisions of this resolution.

Pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. § 7-16-2322(1)(a)(iii) violation of this Resolution shall result in a civil penalty with the first offense carrying a fine of \$25.00, the second offense constituting a fine of \$50.00 and the third and all other subsequent offenses constituting a \$100.00 fine.

PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 15th day of August, 2006 by the Board of Park Commissioners.

BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF GALLATIN COUNTY, MONTANA

Debbie Deagen, Chairperson

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