

Burning

BILL NO. _____

ORDINANCE NO. 158

BY COUNCILMAN _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF Clark Fork RELATING TO OPEN BURNING BY DECLARING PURPOSE, PROVIDING DEFINITIONS, PROVIDING RESTRICTIONS AND EXCEPTIONS, PROVIDING REQUIREMENTS FOR BURNING, PROVIDING THAT NON-COMPLIANCE SHALL BE DEEMED A MISDEMEANOR, PROVIDING FOR SAFETY MEASURES, LIMITING EMISSION OF AIR CONTAMINANTS, AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF Clark Fork IDAHO:

Section 1. Purpose The purpose and intent of this ordinance is to eliminate all forms of open burning except those for which there is no means of producing a similar public benefit, or such as may be permitted herein.

Section 2. Definition Open burning means the outdoor burning of materials where the products of combustion are not directed through a duct, passage, smokestack or chimney.

Section 3. General Restrictions Except as herein otherwise provided, no person shall allow, suffer, cause or permit the open burning of materials which emit toxic contaminants, large volumes of smoke, particulates or odors.

Section 4. Allowable Burning

- a. Fires used for the preparation of food, campfires and fires for recreational purposes, under control of a responsible person.
- b. Fires used for control or alleviation of fire hazard or for weed control when no alternate control method exists.
- c. Fires used in the training of organized fire-fighting personnel.
- d. Properly operated industrial flares for combustion of flammable gases.
- e. Readily combustible rubbish produced by operation of a domestic household may be burned on the property from which the rubbish was generated, if no collection and disposal service is available and such is approved by the mayor and council. This shall include tree leaves and gardening waste. Rubbish is defined as non-putrescible solid waste except abandoned vehicles and car bodies or car body parts, industrial solid waste and agricultural solid waste.
- f. Open burning of junked motor vehicles when permitted by the Council shall be under the following additional conditions.
 - 1. No burning will be allowed on *(Saturday or Sunday.)
 - 2. Burning hours shall be *(between 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)
 - 3. Number of units to be burned at any one location at one burn shall be limited to *(100) unless otherwise approved by the city council.
 - 4. Tires and floormats shall be removed prior to burning.
 - 5. Every reasonable effort shall be made on the part of the salvage operator to prepare the units in such a manner that rapid and efficient combustion will occur.

*Optional with Mayor and Council..

Any burning of motor vehicles deemed necessary by the council shall be conducted at one or several centralized locations. Such locations shall be approved by the Idaho Air Pollution Control Section and the Idaho Solid Waste Control Section of the State Department of Health.

g. Burning of plant life grown on the premises in the course of agricultural, forestry or land clearing operation.

h. During the months of April and October, the City Council after consultation with the Idaho Air Pollution Control Section of the State Department of Health may establish "clean-up weeks" during which property owners will be allowed without special permit, to burn leaves, shrubbery, trimmings, grass and such other materials at such times and in such manner as may be designated in the public proclamation.

Section 5. Requirement for Burning

a. Permit Required. No person shall conduct burning within the provision of Section 4 on or in any public street, alley, road or other public ground without a permit or other proper authorization.

b. Attendance of Open Fires. All open burning shall be constantly attended by a competent person until such fire is extinguished.

This person shall have a garden hose connected to the water supply or other fire extinguishing equipment readily available for use.

c. Chief may Prohibit. The chief of the Fire Department may prohibit any or all open burning when atmospheric conditions as published by the weather bureau or the environmental services to burning or when local circumstances make such fires hazardous.

Section 6. Visible Emissions No person shall allow the emission of any air contaminant for a period or periods aggregating more than three (3) minutes in any one hour which is:

- a. Darker in shade than that designated No. 2 (40% density) on the Ringelmann Chart as published by the United States Bureau of Mines; OR
- b. Of such opacity as to obscure an observer's view to the same degree as an emission described in a. above.

Testing shall be done in accordance with the Procedures Manual for Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants, published by the State Air Pollution Control Commission.

The visible emissions regulation applicable to equipment installed after the effective date of this ordinance shall be as above, except that the criteria for determining compliance shall be Ringelmann No. 1 or equivalent opacity.

The density or opacity of an air contaminant shall be measured at the point of its emission if observable, and if not shall be measured at an observable point on the plume nearest the point of emission.

Section 7. Any person violating any of the provisions of this ordinance or willfully refusing to comply with any proper requirements of the designated officer shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Each day a violation of the provisions of this ordinance continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 8. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as repealing or amending in any way any safety provisions of the fire prevention code heretofore adopted by the city. All of the safety requirements therein prescribed for outdoor burning, bonfires or rubbish fires, shall be required of all persons holding permits under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 9. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication.

Passed by the Council 11 December 19 70

Approved by the Mayor 11 December 19 70

(Seal)

Attest:

Emma Parker
(Signed)

Mayor of _____

Viola P. Moore
City Clerk

