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SILVER LAKE BEACH - Use of Facilities Rules and Fee Schedule

PURPOSE

To coordinate the efficient use of Silver Lake Beach, 245 Upton St., Grafton, by Town of Grafton residents, Town of Grafton Governmental Organizations, Non-Profit Organizations and non-Residents. These rules cover the beach grounds and the pavilion.

FEES

- Use of Beach Pavilion.....\$30/2 hours or \$50/3.5 hours plus applicable beach fees*
 - Private Rental of the Pavilion is available during the beach dates of operation. Beach operates mid-June to mid-August. *(Not currently available for non-residents).*
- Use of Beach Grounds.....\$50/day plus \$100 refundable security deposit**
 - Private Rental of the Beach Grounds is only available April to November, outside beach dates of operation. Beach operates mid-June to late August.

** Attendees/guests must either have a valid Silver Lake season pass or purchase a daily pass. Day Passes are available at a group rate of \$3/person.*

*** Security Deposits will be refunded after a post-event inspection has been conducted and no damage has been found. Cost for damages or failure to clean up trash beyond the security deposit will be assessed and billed to the Applicant. **Make checks payable to the "Town of Grafton" and submit with application.***

GENERAL RULES

- 1) **Eligible Applicants:** Use of Silver Lake Beach grounds and facilities are available to residents of the Town of Grafton and non-profit organizations (and on occasion non-residents). Organizations must provide proof of liability insurance in order to be eligible for consideration. The use of the grounds and/or facilities for personal profit is prohibited.
- 2) **Availability:** The pavilion may be reserved during summer beach season. The grounds and/or facilities are available for private rentals during the spring and fall. The Park is generally available for booking between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in the summer and 9:00am – 6:00pm in the spring and fall.
- 3) **Priority Use:** Only one group may schedule the beach grounds or pavilion at a time. Multiple bookings will not be allowed. A group with an approved Use of Facilities form has priority over a group that does not.
- 4) **Use of Facilities Application:** To request the use of the grounds and /or the pavilion you must fill out a "Silver Lake Beach Use of Facilities" form. Completed forms and security deposit must be returned to the Recreation Department. Incomplete applications and / or non-inclusion of any associated fees will not be considered. All requests will be honored on a first come, first served basis. All Town of Grafton Government activities and events will take precedence over other applicants.
- 5) **Access to Utilities:** Utility access is not available at Silver Lake Beach.
- 6) **Acceptable Activities:** Acceptable activities allowed at Silver Lake Beach include but are not limited to

private functions and special events. No sports activities will be permitted on the grounds of the Beach.

- 7) **Time In and Time Out:** You may not arrive earlier than or stay after the permitted time.
- 8) **Rain Dates:** Rain dates will not be booked in advance. You may call and reschedule if you are rained out within two (2) business days.
- 9) **Non-Transferrable:** Approved groups or individuals may not give their permitted time to another group or individual. All changes must be done through the Recreation Department Office.
- 10) **Fires and Gas Grills:** The Beach does have charcoal grills available for use but any other open fire of any type is not allowed at any time. Gas grills by private residents are not permitted. However they will be permitted only when operated by a vendor who has the appropriate permits (see below).
- 11) **Public Safety:** Large events may require the use of a police detail to direct traffic and provide for the general safety of the public. The Applicant shall be responsible for securing and paying for a police detail if it is deemed necessary by the Town of Grafton.
- 12) **Request for Animals:** Animals are not allowed at Silver Lake Beach.
- 13) **Vendors:** Must have valid permits from appropriate departments to operate on Town property.
- 14) **Additional Permits:** Depending on the activity or event any number of additional permits may be required. The Applicant is responsible for obtaining and paying for these permits.
- 15) **Signs / Balloons / Tents:** Signs or balloons may only be affixed to trees or structures with permission. No tent stakes or other items to be put in the ground without permission.
- 16) **Alcohol or Glass Containers:** Alcohol and glass is not permitted.
- 17) **Parking:** Allowed in designated areas only. No parking is allowed along route 140.
- 18) **Trash Removal:** After the event, is the responsibility of the applicant and/or organization. It is also their responsibility to leave the grounds and facility in a neat and clean condition.
- 19) **The Town of Grafton reserves the right:**
 - a. to refuse use of the grounds and/or facilities to any group if the proposed activity is deemed to be a “high damage” risk.
 - b. to refuse use of the grounds and/or facilities based on a history of past damage caused by an applicant and/or group.
 - c. to deny or limit the use of the grounds for the purposes of maintenance and rehabilitation of the grounds. In addition, the use of the grounds may be cancelled by the Town in the event of a heavy rain event that causes the grass to become at risk for high damage.
 - d. to deny an application or cancel an event due to natural disasters or scheduling conflicts beyond its control.
- 20) **Damages:** The applicant and/or group is responsible for reporting any damages immediately to the Recreation Department and for reimbursing the Town for damages to facilities and / or grounds.