

ORDINANCE NO. 106

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTIES AS PUBLIC PARKS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, Arkansas Code Annotated §5-14-128 sets forth the restrictions on registered sex offenders regarding living near schools, public parks, youth centers, day cares, or churches or other places of worship; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Avoca, Arkansas, has not declared any property within the Town as a public park and, in order to protect said parks from having registered sex offenders residing in the immediate vicinity, immediate action is needed; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of public parks will provide protection for said parks pursuant to A.C.A. §5-14-128; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined by the Town Council of the Town of Avoca, Arkansas, that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Town that the area where public parks are located be designated as official public parks for the Town of Avoca.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Avoca, Arkansas:

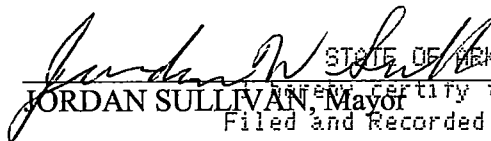
Section 1: That the addresses set forth hereinafter are hereby declared as Town Parks and, as a result thereof, shall be open to the general public:

- A. 121 West Rose Street;
- B. 222 N. Old Wire Road; and
- C. 223 N. Old Wire Road.

Section 2: That it has been determined by the Town Council that immediate action is needed in order to protect the public while using the Town's parks from persons required to register as sex offenders, and, therefore, the Town Council has determined that an emergency is hereby found to exist, and this Ordinance, being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 14 day of February, 2017.

ATTEST:  
  
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NANETTE BARNES, Recorder

User Name: JILL  
CERTIFICATE OF RECORD  
STATE OF ARKANSAS, COUNTY OF BENTON  
  
JORDAN SULLIVAN, Mayor  
I hereby certify that this instrument was  
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