

**Riley Township**  
**St. Clair County, Michigan**  
**Ordinance #21 Offences Against the Public Health, Safety, and General Welfare**

An ordinance to define certain offenses against the public health, safety, and general welfare in the Township of Riley, St. Clair County, Michigan, and to provide a penalty therefore.

THE TOWNSHIP OF RILEY ORDAINS THAT:

Section 1: Acts Prohibited

No person shall:

- A. Commit an assault or an assault and battery on any person.
- B. Be drunk or under the influence of any narcotic drug in any public place.
- C. Engage in any indecent, insulting, immoral, or obscene conduct in any public place.
- D. Fire, discharge, display, or possess any fireworks, except of the type and under the conditions permitted by Chapter 39 of the Penal Code of the State of Michigan.
- E. Engage in peeping in the windows of any inhabited place.
- F. Utter, vile, profane, or obscene language at any public place.
- G. Make any immoral exhibition or indecent exposure of his or her person
- H. Willfully destroy, remove, damage, alter, or in any manner deface any public or private property not owned by him.
- I. Engage in any disturbance, fight, or quarrel in a public place.
- J. Insult, accost, molest, or otherwise annoy, either by word or mouth, sign, or motion, any person in any public place.
- K. Engage in prostitution, gambling, the illegal sale of intoxication liquor or any other illegal or immoral business or occupation or attend, frequent, operate or be an occupant or inmate of any such place.
- L. Disturb the public peace and quiet by loud, boisterous, or vulgar conduct.
- M. Throw or propel any snowball, missile, or object toward any person or motor vehicle.
- N. Obstruct, resist, hinder, or oppose any member of the police force or any peace officer in the discharge of his duties as such.
- O. Consume any alcoholic beverage in a motor vehicle or in any public place not licensed by the State of Michigan as a location for the dispensing of alcoholic beverages.
- P. If under the age of eighteen (18) years, purchase, consume, or knowingly possess or transport or have under his control in any motor vehicle, any alcoholic beverages and for the purpose of this sub-paragraph, it shall be presumed that the minor is knowingly in possession of or is knowingly transporting alcoholic beverages if the alcoholic beverage is found in a motor vehicle occupied by the said minor, provide that the provisions of this sub-paragraph, except as to purchasing and consuming, shall not apply to a minor employed by a licensee under the Michigan Liquor Control Act during the regular working hours and in the regular course of this employment.

- Q. Either directly or indirectly, by himself, clerk, agent, servant, or employee, sell, furnish, give, or deliver any alcoholic beverage to any minor, except upon the authority of and in pursuance of a prescription of a physician licensed by the State of Michigan.
- R. Make any false statements or give any false information to any person regarding the age of a minor in order to procure the sale or furnishing of an alcoholic beverage to such minor.
- S. Being under the age of twelve (12) years, idle, loiter, or congregate in any public place between the hours of ten o'clock pm and six o'clock am, unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or some other person over the age of eighteen (18) years designated by the parent or guardian of such minor child.
- T. Being under the age of seventeen (17), idle, loiter, or congregate in any public place between the hours of twelve o'clock midnight and six o'clock am, unless accompanied by a parent or guardian or some other person over the age of eighteen (18) years designated by the parent or guardian or such minor child.

## Section 2: Penalties

Any person violating the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500) or imprisonment at the county jail not exceeding ninety (90) days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

## Section 3: Definitions

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings, unless otherwise dictated by the context:

- A. Township-Township means the Township of Riley.
- B. Person-Person is any natural person, firm, partnership, company association, corporation, club, or organization of any kind.
- C. Public Place-Public Place is any street, alley, park, public building, any place of business, or assembly open to or frequented by the public view or to which the public has access.
- D. Alcoholic Beverages-Alcoholic Beverages means any spirituous vinous malt, fermented liquor, beer, wine, spirits, alcoholic liquids and compounds, whether or not medicated, and by whatever name called containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, which are fit for human consumption.

## Section 4: Severability

If any part or parts of this ordinance are for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions hereof.

Section 5: Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect June 7, 1975.

Motion by: Treasurer Atkins

Supported by: Trustee Klotzhuber

Ayes: Five (5)

Nays: None (0)

Ordinance declared adopted: June 7, 1975

Louise Waryas, Township Supervisor

George Gravilla, Township Clerk