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Sept. 8, 1999

Ms. Joan Becnel St. Charles Parish Council Secretary St. Charles Parish Courthouse P.O. Box 302 Hahnville, LA 70057



Dear Ms. Becnel,

I am writing to request that I be allowed to address the St. Charles Parish Council at the next Council meeting on Sept. 20. The subject of my address is

The Presence and Use of Guns in Red Church Playground and adjacent woods by hunters.

Thank you for your cooperation in placing me on the agenda.

Sincerely,

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Chapter 14 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OFFENSES*
Sec. 14-4.4. Loitering at post offices prohibited.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to loiter at the St. Rose Post Office and all United States Post Offices in the parish.
- (b) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and/or imprisoned for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both.

Editor's note—The county instructed that the provisions of Ord. No. 91-5-20 be included in this chapter. The editor has included §§ I, II as § 14-4.4.

State law reference(s)--General statutory maximum penalty for ordinance violations, R.S. 33:1243.

Sec. 14-5. Injuring, destroying, defacing parish property.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to wilfully, maliciously, wantonly, negligently or otherwise injure, deface or destroy real property, or improvements thereon, or movable or personal property, belonging to the parish, its districts, agencies, and/or departments.
- (b) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and/or imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both.
- (c) A five hundred dollar (\$500.00) reward shall be given to any person providing information leading to the arrest and conviction of a person or persons responsible for causing damage to public property buildings, security, machinery, drainage pumps, levees, canals, ditches, subsurface drainage. The person or persons who provide the information could not have been a party to the damage.

(Code 1970, § 13-8, Ord. No. 91-7-13, § I, 7-22-91)

State law reference(s)—General statutory maximum for penalty for ordinance violations, R.S. 33:1243.

Sec. 14-6. Discharge of weapons.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any rifle, pistol or pellet gun within two thousand (2,000) feet of any residence or to discharge a shotgun within eight hundred (800) feet of any residence within the parish except in the lawful defense of life or property.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person intentionally, or in a criminally negligent manner, to discharge, throw, place or use any instrumentality, liquid or substance, where it is foreseeable that it may result in injury, death or great bodily harm to a human being.
- (c) Local, state and federal peace officers are excepted from the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) while acting in the discharge of their official duties.
- (d) Any person found guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction of violating the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) shall be fined not more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), or imprisoned not more than thirty (30) days, or both.

Please note on the issue of

possession of a rifle, pistol, etc. in

a Parish Park, that Sec 14-6 only

addresses the Bonnet Carne Spillway

See paragraph e, next page

Is this covered elsewhere?

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Sec. 14-6. Discharge of weapons.

- (e) It shall be unlawful for any person to be in bodily possession of or discharge any rifle, pistol or weapon discharging ball ammunition within the boundaries of the Bonnet Carre Spillway (including the Spillway levees) from the Mississippi) River to Lake Pontchartrain.
- (f) It shall be unlawful for any person to be in bodily possession of a loaded shotgun or discharge any shotgun within the boundaries of the Bonnet Carre Spillway within eight hundred (800) feet of the Spillway levee system, U.S. 61 (Airline Highway), SC 12, or the Spillway Road.
- (g) It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm in District Five, St. Rose, between LA 48 (River Road) and U S 61 (Airline Highway) and Crespo Lane and the Jefferson Parish/St. Charles Parish Line
- (h) It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm within fifteen hundred (1,500) feet of the Ama Pump Station.
- (i) Any person found guilty of violating the provisions of subsection (d), (e), (f) and (h) of this section shall be fined not more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) or imprisoned not more than five (5) days, or both.
- (j) Signs advising of the provisions in subsections (d) and (e) shall be placed at all entrances to the Spillway, and signs advising of the provisions in subsection (f) shall be placed in strategic locations in District Five.

(Code 1970, §§ 13-12–13-14; Ord. No. 91-6-7, § I, 6-3-91; Ord. No. 91-8-3, § I, 8-5-91; Ord. No. 91-10-15, § I, 10-21-91; Ord. No. 93-3-14, § I, 3-8-93, Ord. No. 94-4-2, §§ I–III, 4-4-94)

State law reference(s)—General statutory maximum for penalty for ordinance violations, R S 33.1243.

Sec. 14-7. Mediums, etc., regulated.

- (a) Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any and all persons known as mediums, clairvoyants or fortune-tellers to carry on, for a monied consideration, the business of telling or pretending to tell fortunes, either with cards or hand, water, letters or other devices or methods, it shall be unlawful for all persons to hold out inducements, either through the public press or otherwise, setting forth their power to contact the spirits of the deceased, settle lovers' quarrels, bring the separated together, cause speedy marriages, locate buried or hidden treasures, jewels, wills, bonds, etc., remove evil influences, and give luck, to effect marriages, heal sickness, reveal secrets, foretell the result of lawsuits, business transactions, investments of whatever nature, wills, deeds, mortgages; to find lost or absent friends or relatives; to reveal; move and avoid domestic troubles; bring together the bitterest enemies, and generally, any act promising to foresee and predict or affect the future.
- (b) Authority To Prohibit. The parish is empowered and authorized by R.S. 4:7 to prohibit the activity prohibited in subsection (a) and to provide the enforcement of duly enacted ordinances
- (c) Violations; Penalty. Whosoever shall violate any provision of this section shall be arrested, and upon conviction before the court within whose jurisdiction the offense shall have been committed shall be subject to a fine not exceeding twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), and in default of the payment of the fine, to imprisonment in the parish jail, not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court. Nothing contained in this section shall affect thosepracticing the religion or belief, commonly known as Spiritualism, in their churches, temples and meeting rooms.

(Ord. No. 85-5-4, §§ A-C, 5-6-85)

Editor's note--Ord. No. 85-5-4, adopted May 6, 1985, did not specifically amend this Code; hence inclusion of §§ A--C as § 14-7 was at the discretion of the editor.

State law reference(s)--General statutory maximum penalty for ordinance violations, R.S. 33:1243.

