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## **CHAPTER 130: OFFENSES AGAINST PROPERTY**

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### **§ 130.01 INJURY TO PUBLIC PROPERTY.**

(A) No person shall willfully or negligently injure or interfere with any valve, box valve, meter box, storm or sanitary sewer manhole cover, storm sewer catch basin cover, fire hydrant, police or fire alarm box, traffic signal, or any other public property used in the town's water, sewer, police, or fire alarm systems.

(B) It shall be unlawful to destroy, injure, damage, deface, cut, or pull down any light, pump, well, tree, shrub, or flower in any street, park, or public place or to injure, damage, or deface any building belonging to the town.

('87 Code, § 130.01) (Ord. passed 12-2-74) Penalty, see § 10.99

### **§ 130.02 INTERFERENCE WITH FIRE ALARM SYSTEM PROHIBITED.**

No person shall interfere carelessly or willfully with the fire alarm system or injure the poles, wires, boxes, or other apparatus connected therewith.

('87 Code, § 130.02) (Ord. passed 1-1-77) Penalty, see § 10.99

### **§ 130.03 DAMAGE TO FIRE HOSE PROHIBITED.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to in any way damage or mutilate any fire hose while in use at a fire or otherwise.

('87 Code, § 130.03) (Ord. passed 1-7-74) Penalty, see § 10.99



## **CHAPTER 131: OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE AND SAFETY**

### Section

131.01 Discharge of firearms regulated

131.02 Consumption of alcoholic beverages on town property

### **§ 131.01 DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS REGULATED.**

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to possess or carry, or to fire or discharge, any gun, rifle, pistol or other firearm on or in any building, park, recreation area or other property owned or operated by the town, whether within or outside the corporate limits, or on or in any public school building or grounds within the town except that nothing in this section shall prohibit a person from storing a firearm within a motor vehicle while the vehicle is on these grounds or areas. The Town Manager or his designee is hereby authorized and instructed to post conspicuous signage at appropriate locations on or within each park and each building or portion of a building owned, leased as lessee, operated, occupied, managed or controlled by the town, as well as the appurtenant premises to such buildings, indicating that carrying a concealed weapon is prohibited therein.

(B) No person shall discharge or shoot a gun, air rifle, air pistol, or other kind of firearm or similar implement within the town limits; however, nothing in this section or any other town ordinance shall be construed to prevent or prohibit the following:

- (1) A police officer from discharging a firearm in the performance of his or her duty.
- (2) A person from discharging a firearm in the defense of life or property.

(3) Rifle ranges under the control and supervision of the North Carolina National Guard, the National Rifle Association, or any of its affiliated clubs may be permitted, subject however, to such ranges being inspected and approved from time to time and at least annually by the Chief of Police, and provided that under no conditions whatsoever shall such ranges be operated on a commercial basis. ('87 Code, § 131.01) (Ord. passed 9-5-84; Am. Ord. passed 10-6-08; Am. Ord. passed 3-5-12; Am. Ord. passed 10-7-13; Am. Ord. passed 11-2-15) Penalty, see § 10.99

### **§ 131.02 CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON TOWN PROPERTY.**

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to consume any malt beverage, fortified and unfortified wine, spiritous liquors, or any other form of alcoholic beverage on any property owned, leased, rented, or otherwise under the control of the town.

(B) In addition, or in the alternative, to the penalty provided in § 10.99, the town may elect to enforce this section by seeking injunctive relief pursuant to G.S. § 160A-175. ('87 Code, § 131.02) (Ord. passed 7-13-81) Penalty, see § 10.99

