

ORDINANCE #5.23.06a
ORDINANCE PROHIBITING WILDLIFE FEEDING
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SHREWSBURY

SECTION I. Purpose:

An Ordinance to prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Shrewsbury, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Feed – to give, place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter any edible material with the intention of feeding, attracting or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.
- b. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Wildlife – all animals that are neither human nor domesticated.

SECTION III. Prohibited Conduct:

No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Shrewsbury, any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers).

SECTION IV. Enforcement:

- a. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be enforced by the Special Code Enforcement Officer of the Township of Shrewsbury and/or the New Jersey State Police and any future Police Department that may either be established by Shrewsbury Township or shall enforce the laws of Shrewsbury Township through any Interlocal Agreement.
- b. Any person found to be in violation of this Ordinance shall be ordered to cease the feeding immediately.

SECTION V. Violations and Penalty:

Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,250.00, a term of imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days or any combination thereof.

SECTION VI. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VII. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Township Committee Person introduced the aforesaid Ordinance and
Seconded said Ordinance for introduction.

ROLL CALL

Affirmative: 3

Negative: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Dated: 5/23 , 2006

Township Committee moved the aforesaid Ordinance for second reading for Public Hearing and upon closure of said Public Hearing move for its final reading and adoption, seconded by Ms. Lettice Township Committee Person.

ROLL CALL

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Dated: 7/11 , 2006 Ordinance Adopted


ALBERT KLOSE, Mayor

ATTEST:


JANET DELONARDO
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