

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF FRANKLIN, STATE OF FLORIDA, PROHIBITING LITTERING, DUMPING SEWAGE OR GARBAGE, OR CAMPING ON THE ST. GEORGE ISLAND BRIDGE AND CAUSEWAY; WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE SHORE ON THE BAY SIDE OF ST. GEORGE ISLAND, EAST OF BOB SIKES CHANNEL; ALL NORTH OF SR. 300 AND GULF BEACH DRIVE ON ST. GEORGE ISLAND; GORRIE BRIDGE AND CAUSEWAYS; CAT POINT, AND BETWEEN CAT POINT AND STATE ROAD 65.

ORDINANCE #73 - 3
FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA:

1. The beautiful shoreline areas of Franklin County have attracted many campers and recreational activities on those areas immediately adjacent to waterfront areas, and we welcome these visitors; however, this activity has increased to the degree that responsible public health authorities have notified the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida that such activities can cause or contribute to pollution of adjoining waters. Should this cause the adjoining waters to be closed to seafood gathering because of pollution, this would be detrimental to the economy of Franklin County, and harmful to the seafood industry.

2. In order to prevent pollution and consequent damage to the seafood industry, it is necessary that such recreational activities be regulated, and those areas in which such activities are of greatest potential impact must be closed to activities which will be detrimental to the environment or which may become sources of pollution. This regulation must be implemented with the policy that visitors to our county shall always be made welcome in their activities directed to areas where they are not detrimental to the environment.

It is therefore ordained by the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida, that camping, littering, or dumping sewage or garbage is forbidden and prohibited, and shall be unlawful in the following areas:

- A. Bryant Patton (St. George Island) bridge and causeway; and
- B. The Apalachicola Bay and St. George Sound side of St. George Island east of Bob Sikes Channel within 300 feet of the Shoreline; and
- C. On the St. George Island, all north of State Road 300, and all North of Gulf Beach Drive; and
- D. Cat Point and the shoreline between Cat Point and the intersection of State Road 65 and State Road 30 in Section 22, Township 8 South, Range 6 West, within 300 feet of the shoreline; and
- E. Gorrie Bridge and causeways.

Provided however that camping or parking of recreational vehicles shall be permitted if sewer connections or septic tanks approved by the Air and Water Pollution Control Board of the State of Florida, or its designated employees, or the Franklin County Health Department are used.

It shall be presumed that vehicles, tents and camping paraphernalia in place after 10:00 P. M. are camping in violation of this ordinance.

Be it provided further that special permits for camping within the designated areas may be issued by motion of the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida.

Any violation of this ordinance shall be a misdemeanor.

This Ordinance shall take effect when a certified copy of same shall be obtained from the Secretary of State, but no earlier than June 10, 1973.

This ordinance adopted in open session this 15th day of June, 1973, after notice of intent to consider such ordinance has been made and kept in the ordinance book of this Board for at least 15 days exclusive of Sundays and legal holidays, and the title and substance hereof published according to law in a newspaper of general circulation within the county.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, FLORIDA.

By: *Cecil James*
Its Chairman

ATTEST:

Robert H. Howell
Clerk

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