

CITY OF CROOKS
ORDINANCE #326

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROOKS, SOUTH DAKOTA, AUTHORIZING AND REGULATING THE OPERATION OF GOLF CARTS ON CITY STREETS IN AND FOR THE CITY OF CROOKS, SOUTH DAKOTA.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CROOKS, SOUTH DAKOTA, THAT:

Section 1. – Permit required.

It shall be unlawful to operate a golf cart on the public streets, alleys and other roadways within the City unless the owner thereof has received a permit from the City of Crooks. The proper application form shall be furnished and prepared by the City Finance Office. Upon submittal of proper application, the City Finance Office shall issue a permit sticker that shall be displayed in a readily identifiable location upon the golf cart. Permits shall be issued for a one (1) year period, beginning on January 1st and ending on December 31st. Any permit issued after January 1 shall only be effective for that calendar year. New permits need to be obtained by January 1 of each successive year. If the ownership of the vehicle changes, the new owner shall be required to apply for a permit.

Section 2. – Golf cart operation.

Golf carts shall not be allowed to operate within the City except as authorized by state statute or by this ordinance. Golf carts properly permitted pursuant to this ordinance shall be allowed to travel on the roadway portion of public streets, alleys and other roadways within the City except those highways where golf carts are prohibited by state statute, any roadway with a speed limit in excess of 25 miles per hour, and any sidewalk, recreational trail, and bike trail; a golf cart may operate on said portions of County Highway 137 under the City's jurisdiction with a speed limit of 25mph or less, and cross County Highway 137 under the jurisdiction of the City of Crooks. A golf cart may cross the highway at a right angle but only after stopping and yielding the right-of-way to all approaching traffic and crossing as closely as possible to an intersection or approach. An operator of a golf cart shall comply with all City and state traffic rules and regulations applying to vehicles generally, except that a golf cart shall be required to have lights, a rear-view mirror, and a slow-moving vehicle sign, but shall not be required to have a bell, horn, or directional signals. Golf carts may only be operated from dawn until dusk. All occupants of the golf cart must be seated at all times. There cannot be more people in or on said vehicle than the vehicle seating capacity.

Section 3. – Revocation.

Any permit issued under this section may be revoked by the City Finance Office for the violation by licensee of any applicable provisions of this code, state law or city ordinance or for good cause. Notice of revocation shall be given to the owner in person or by mail via US Postal Service. The suspension period for a permit shall be one (1) year upon revocation.

Section 4. – Operator’s license and insurance required.

No person may operate a golf cart on the streets, alleys, roadways, or other public places within the City limits unless the operator has a valid driver’s license and maintains proof that the golf cart is covered by a policy of liability insurance; instructed or restricted minor’s permits will not be allowed or accepted.

Section 5. – Fee.

The fee for a golf cart permit shall be established by Council resolution as determined from time to time. Fees shall not be prorated based upon the date when a permit will be issued.

Section 6. – Penalty for violation.

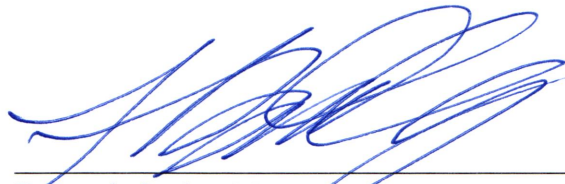
A violation of this ordinance is a petty offence punishable by a fine in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) plus court costs. Each violation shall constitute a separate offense.

Aye: Harstad, Richardson, Beyer, Schuette

Nay:

Abstain:

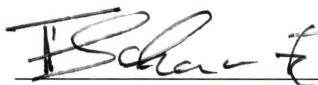
Adopted this 14th day of August, 2023.



F. Butch Oseby, Mayor



Attest:



Tobias Schantz, Finance Officer

Legislative History:

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