

ORDINANCE 151

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE LICENSING AND MANNER OF CONDUCTING PUBLIC DANCES

The City Council of the City of Bird Island ordains:

SECTION 1. PROVISIONS OF STATE LAW ADOPTED.

The provisions of Minnesota Statutes, M.S.A. Sections 624.42 through 624.54 are hereby adopted and all public dances held in the city hereafter shall be conducted in accordance with such statutes as heretofore or hereafter amended. The definition of the term "public dance" is adopted except that such term shall be taken to apply to every public dance, whether an admission fee is charged or not.

SECTION 2. PERMIT REQUIRED.

No person shall conduct a public dance in this city unless a permit shall have been procured therefore from the city clerk.

SECTION 3. PERMIT FEES.

Permits shall be issued for a single public dance or for a six-month period. The fee for a single public dance permit shall be \$10.00 and the fee for a six-month public dance permit shall be \$50.00. Provided, the council may grant a permit without charge where it is satisfied that the dance is conducted by a non-profit civic or service organization.

SECTION 4. APPLICATION FOR PERMIT.

Any person, persons, committee or organization desiring a permit to conduct a public dance in the city shall make application therefore on blanks furnished by the city. The application shall set forth the following information:

- a. The name and address of the person, persons, committee or organization which is to conduct the dance.
- b. The place where such dance is to be held and the area of the dance floor.
- c. The date of the dance in case of a single public dance permit or the expected frequency of public dances on the premises in the case of a six-month permit.
- d. Such other information as may be required by the city council.

SECTION 5. CONDITIONS OF PERMIT.

Subdivision 1 – The permit holder shall have an officer of the law present at every public dance in accordance with Minnesota Statutes.

Subdivision 2 – The permit holder shall keep peace and order at all public dances and shall be responsible for compliance with all ordinances and state laws.

Subdivision 3 – All premises for which a permit is issued shall be in compliance with state fire regulations and laws and shall be properly ventilated and equipped with necessary toilets, wash rooms and lighting facilities.

Subdivision 4 – Permits shall not be transferred from one place, or from one person, to another without prior council approval.

SECTION 6. SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION.

The city council may revoke, or suspend for a period of time deemed appropriate by the council, any such permit of a finding that the permit holder has failed to comply with any applicable statute, regulation or ordinance relating to dancing or any other licensed activities conducted on the premises.

SECTION 7. PENALTY

Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance becomes effective upon its passage and publication according to law.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL THIS 25TH DAY OF MAY, 1982.

Mayor

Clerk