Wheeler Wildlife Refuge Ordinance

Town of York, Maine

Most Recently Amended: May 16, 2015
Prior Dates of Amendment:
Date of Original Enactment: March 30, 1985

ENACTMENT BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY

Date of the vote to amend this Ordinance: May 16, 2015.
Certified by the Town Clerk: __________________________ on June 19, 2015
(signature) (date)
WHEELER WILDLIFE REFUGE ORDINANCE

Section One. Land Area

Area described as being bounded northwesterly by U.S. Route 103, southwesterly by the dike running from said U.S. Route 103 to Harris Island and easterly and westerly by Harris Island, Bragdon’s Island, and the roadway connecting said Harris Island and Bragdon Island, and the westerly sideline of the town way leading from U.S. Route 103 over Bragdon’s Island being the entire area acquired by inhabitants of the Town of York in 1961 for dredging spoil, including all Town land held in trust as a wildlife refuge, is hereby declared to the “Wheeler Wildlife Refuge.”

Section Two. Prohibitions

Within the limits of the area described in Section 1, it shall be unlawful to operate motor vehicles, deposit fill, erect structures, or remove wildlife or botanical specimens.

Section Three. Violations/Penalties

Any person who violates this ordinance shall be subject to a civil penalty of $100.00 for the first offense, $150.00 for the second offense, and $250.00 for the third and subsequent offenses.

Section Four. Waiver / Payment of Fines

Any person charged with a violation of this section, shall be allowed to waive such violation and tender to the Town of York the fine amount if paid within 20 days of issuance of the summons. If the waiver fine is paid, no appearance before a District Court Judge or other judicial officer shall be required. If the offender pays the waiver fine, the matter will be closed in the York Police Records system and listed as a subsequent offense for future violations.

If the offender chooses not to pay the waiver fine, he/she shall appear in court on the specified date to answer for the ordinance violation. If the offender is found to have committed the offense in court, fines, applicable court fees, attorney’s fees, and prosecution costs may apply.