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ARTICLE I COASTING AND SKATEBOARDING

Sec. 11-101 Coasting or Sledding Regulated

Coasting or sledding with any sled or motor powered sled on any street, road, or way, or on any sidewalk, street, road or way in the City of Caribou is prohibited. The City Council may designate certain streets and hours for the purpose of sledding or coasting.

Sec. 11-102 Skateboarding Regulated

No person shall ride a skateboard on the sidewalk or within any sidewalk area, or any pedestrian way within the C-1 Zone of the City of Caribou. Any person who violates this section, upon adjudication, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed \$10.00. The Chief of Police, when satisfied a person is in violation of this section, may impound the skateboard for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days.

ARTICLE 11 SNOW REMOVAL

Sec. 11-201 Snow Removal or Sidewalks Required

Within the urban compact zone of Caribou, the occupant of a property therein shall be responsible for the removal of all accumulation of snow, ice and debris from the sidewalk in front of the property. If the said property is vacant for one reason or another, the owner is still responsible to the removal of same.

Historical Note: Section 11-201 as amended by City Council March 23, 2015.

Sec. 11-202 Placing Snow on Public Way

Except for in the business district, it shall be unlawful for a person to place snow or ice on a public way. "Public way" means any public way or sidewalk, private way laid out under authority of statute, way dedicated to public use, way upon which the public has a right of access or has access as invitees or licenses, or way under the control of park commissioners or a body having like powers.

Historical Note: Section 11-202 as amended by City Council March 23, 2015.

ARTICLE III HORSES

Sec. 11-301 Horses on Sidewalks

No person shall ride on horseback, or drive or lead any horse or beast, by themselves, or attached to any vehicle of any kind or description, or cause them to be driven or led along upon any sidewalk in the City of Caribou, except at private driveways or over crossings.

ARTICLE IV DISPLAYING GOODS AND WARES

Sec. 11-401 Use of Sidewalks for Purpose of Displaying Wares in Business Section

The following rules shall govern the placing or displaying of goods, wares or articles on publicly owned sidewalks or streets in the business section of the City of Caribou.

1. Permission from Chief of Police. Permission must be obtained from the Caribou Chief of Police. Permission may be denied for repeated or flagrant violation of the rules below. Denials may be appealed to the City Council.
2. Six foot maximum. Goods, wares or articles shall not extend more than six feet into the sidewalk or street.
3. Four foot corridor. A space of at least four feet shall be kept free and clear of all such goods, wares or articles.
4. Area in front of business. Individual businesses shall only use that portion of any sidewalks or street that is directly in front of said business establishment. This shall not apply to community events such as an arts and crafts festival but the activities of such community events shall not obstruct the entrance or exit of any building.
5. Three day limit. The placing or displaying of goods, wares or articles on the sidewalk, or street of Caribou by any one individual or business shall be limited to no more than three days in any one calendar month.

Sec. 11-402 Residential Areas

The placing or displaying of goods, wares or articles on the sidewalks or streets in all residential areas in the City of Caribou is hereby prohibited. The placing or displaying of signs on public ways and utility poles is also prohibited.

Sec. 11-403 Street and Road Access Permit

Whenever an additional access is desired to a city road or street, the requesting property owner shall obtain an Access permit from the Caribou Public Works Department. No new additional road or street connection shall be allowed without such a permit.

The permit application shall state how proper roadside drainage will be maintained, whether through a driveway depression, a culvert, or through subsurface drainage system. If a culvert is deemed appropriate, the size of the culvert, both in diameter and in length, will be listed. The drainage system, including whether or not a culvert is required and the size of the culvert, shall be subject to approval by the Public Works Director, or his designee.

Whenever a property owner requests a new culvert that is approved by the city, the city shall install it. The property owner shall agree to pay the cost of the culvert and the cost of installation, including labor and equipment. Upon request, the City Public Works Department shall provide an advance estimate or cost of the culvert and its installation. Once the culvert is installed, the city shall be responsible for maintaining the culvert, including replacement.

Failure to comply with this ordinance shall be subject to a penalty of \$50.00 for each offense.

Cross Reference: Similar provisions, Ch. 7, Art. X.

Sec. 11-404 Opening Permit

Any person required to excavate or in any way interfere with the surface or sub-surface of any public way must, through a recognized qualified contractor, apply for an opening permit with the Director of Public Works. Permittees' are required to comply with written "Conditions Applicable to Opening Permits on public Ways", as determined and updated periodically by the City Manager and Public Works Director, and provide evidence of Liability Insurance of not less than \$300,000. The "Opening Permit" must be retained by the permittee and posted at the work site for inspection by City Officials. Permittees' violating the terms of the ordinance will be subject to the cost of repairing the excavation plus 50%. Additional permits will not be granted if the applicant has other opening permits that remain open and out of compliance with the terms of the ordinance.

Cross Reference: Similar provisions, Ch. 7, Art. XI.

Historical Note: Chapter 11, Article 404 was adopted May 27, 1997.

ARTICLE V PENALTIES

Sec. 11-501 Penalties

Whoever violates any of the provisions of this Chapter shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$100 dollars for each offense. All references to an infraction herein shall be deemed a civil violation.

Historical Note: Chapter VIII, 1956 Code; amended June 4, 1980.

State Law Reference: 17-A MRSA subsection 505.

ARTICLE VI NAMING AND NUMBERING STREETS AND ROADS

Sec. 11-601 Authority to Name Streets and Roads

The City Council may change or alter the name of any street or public place; and the council shall establish the names of all streets and public places hereafter laid out and accepted by the City Planning Board, within the city. There will be no duplication of Street/Road names to avoid confusion. The Street/Road will have one (1) name only and will have the same name throughout the entire length.

Sec. 11-602 Authority to Number and Identify Property

The City Tax Assessor shall forthwith determine the number which shall designate and identify and be affixed. The City Code Enforcement Officer shall enforce the name and numbering ordinance created by the City Council.

Sec. 11-603 Procedure and Numbering

1. The following procedures shall be followed in the assignment of Lot/Door numbers to buildings constructed under the provisions of the building code. Numbers will be assigned following application of permit for new construction.

- A) The minimum size of the number shall be no less than four (4) inches in height. Color to be a contrast to the building color.
- B) The number shall be placed so that it is visible from the street during the entire year, a minimum of 6’ from the ground if placed on the building.
- C) The number may be affixed on or near the front entrance way, if the entrance is visible from the road and is located not more than 100 feet from the edge of the road.
- D) The number must be placed at the main driveway entrance at the road when the structure is not visible from the road or is located a distance greater and 100 feet from the edge of the road.
- E) A number displayed at the driveway entrance shall be set outside of the road right-of-way (generally 33 feet from the center of the road) and set at a minimum height of 60 inches from the ground. This number must be away from the mailbox and the number must face the road. The same number will also be placed on the building, minimum of 6’ from the ground as stated above.

2. It will be the duty of the Assessing Department of the City of Caribou to develop a street numbering system.

- A) A 50 foot frontage unit will be the standard interval used to assign consecutive numbers for urban or rural streets or roads, and 25 foot in high density areas.
- B) Odd numbers on the right hand side of each street and even numbers on the left.
 - i. No Fractions.
 - ii. No Alphas.
- C) Apartment Building/Condominiums get one number. The numbering of individual units is the responsibility of the owner with the advise of the Assessor.
- D) Shopping Center numbers are assigned within the range available to the property. Numbering of individual units is the owners responsibility.
- E) All other streets will be numbered from the start of the main artery.

Sec. 11-604 Penalty

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this article of ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined as follows:

First <u>Violation</u>	Minimum of \$25.00
Second Violation.....	Minimum of \$100.00
Subsequent Violations.....	Minimum of \$200.00

Historical Note: Article VI was adopted December 9, 1996.