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Sec. 16-101 Preamble

Whereas, the Caribou area Community Alcohol and Drug Education Team (CADET) has existed since 1991, under the auspices of the Caribou School Department, to pursue the following mission:

The Community Alcohol and Drug Education Team, a group of concerned citizens, Recognizes the fact that substance abuse is a widespread problem that will require a varied and ongoing commitment from all segments of the community.

The functions of this team will be to develop formalized educational programs, facilitate Community education and access to assistance, and promote a climate that positively encourages community change.

It has as its goal the decrease of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse and dependency.

Whereas, throughout its six year history, CADET has enjoyed strong and continuous support from the Caribou Board of Education; and a number of very effective programs and initiatives in the area of substance abuse prevention and intervention have been implemented in the Caribou school;

Whereas, the members of CADET now believe that its base of support and its activities must be moved into the “community as a whole” for greater participation and effectiveness; and to accomplish such, CADET should become an agency of the City of Caribou; and

Whereas, the Federal Drug Free Communities Act of 1997 provides for significant grants to any community in America that can sustain, for six months, a strong, high participation, anti-drug coalition (including parents, teachers, businesses, law enforcement officers, churches, doctors, policy makers and others).

Sec. 16-102 Appointment and Tenure

IT IS THEREFORE ADOPTED by the Caribou City Council pursuant to Sec. 2.11 of the Caribou City Charter, as follows:

(a) The Caribou area Community Alcohol and Drug Education Team (CADET) is hereby designated an agency of the City of Caribou, composed of five members of the public to be appointed by the City Council, and four ex-officio members, one member of the City Council to be appointed by the City Council, one from Eastern Aroostook RSU #39 to be appointed by the Eastern Aroostook RSU #39 School Board one from the Caribou Police Department to be appointed by the Chief of Police, and one from Caribou Medical Center to be appointed by the Board of Directors of Cary Medical Center; said nine members to be designated as Team Leadership. Public members shall be appointed for year three terms; except however initial appointments shall be made as follows: two for three year terms, two for two year terms and one for a one year term. Ex-officio members shall serve indefinitely, at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Members may be residents of Caribou or any other community which is part of the Eastern Aroostook RSU #39.

Sec. 16-103 Responsibility

(b) The City Manager shall be responsible for the organization, administration and operation of CADET; except however, said responsibilities may be delegated to and withdrawn from Team Leadership as the City Manager shall deem appropriate.

Sec. 16-104 Bylaws

(c) Team Leadership shall adopt by-laws providing for the officers, organization and activities of the team; including a provision for the appointment by Team Leadership of an unlimited number of additional team members; which by-laws shall be approved by the City Manager.

Sec. 16-105 Compensation Benefits

(d) No member of CADET, other than employees of the city in other capacities serving ex officio pursuant to section (a) and any person who may be specifically employed by the city for CADET related activities, shall receive any compensation for CADET activities, nor shall they be deemed an agent or employee of the city entitled to any customary employment benefits, specifically including but not limited to workers' compensation.

Sec. 16-106 Purpose

(e) The purpose of CADET shall be to develop formalized educational programs, facilitate community education and access to assistance, and promote a climate that positively encourages community change. It has as its goal the decrease of alcohol, tobacco, and other drug abuse and dependency; and to seek and administer grant funds from any appropriate source, including but not limited to the Federal Drug Free Community Support Program.

Sec. 1-107 Funding

(f) All grant application seeking funds in excess of \$2500.00 shall be approved by the City Council, and all funds of the Caribou Alcohol and Drug Education Team shall be administered through the City Manager's office; except however, CADET may maintain an independent revolving account, not to exceed a balance of \$1000.00 at any one time, for the purpose of conducting team activities. Said amount shall be audited annually at the direction of the City Council.

(g) There shall be no appropriation of city tax revenues for CADET activities

Sec. 16-108 Reporting Requirements

(h) CADET shall file an annual report of activities with the City Manager on or before January 31st of each year for the preceding year.

Historical Note: Adopted March 3, 1998; Section 16-102 as amended November 9, 2009.