

**BARRON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2025 - 3**

**Ordinance to Amend Parks & Recreation Ordinance  
To Allow ATV/UTV Usage**

**The Barron County Board of Supervisors ordains as follows**

**WHEREAS**, the Property Committee has engaged in discussions concerning  
ATV/UTV usage in County Campgrounds; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the recommendation of the Property Committee that the Barron  
County Parks & Recreation Ordinance be amended to include the following language  
pertaining to use of ATV/UTV's in county parks:

**SUBCHAPTER IV: COUNTY PARKS**

**42.40 CAMPING**

3. ATV/UTV Permitted.

- a. ATV/UTV may only operate on designated travel ways, roads, or parking areas (limited only to where licensed highway vehicles can legally operate.)
- b. ATV/UTV must abide by all posted speed limit signs (10 mph in the parks).
- c. Operation of an ATV/UTV is not permitted on any pedestrian walking path/trail.
- d. Operation of an ATV/UTV is not allowed during campground quiet hours (10:00 p.m.-8:00 a.m.)
- e. Operators must follow all state and local laws pertaining to ATV/UTV operation.
- f. ATV/UTV must be registered by the State of Wisconsin.
- g. Operation of all other motor vehicles and other power driven vehicles that cannot be officially licensed or registered by the State of Wisconsin as a legal highway or recreational vehicle is prohibited.

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance was approved by the Property Committee on March 3,  
2025 on a vote of 7-0, with Heller, Bartlett, Effertz, Rogers, Schradle, Moen, and Okey  
(for Fowler) voting in favor and no members against.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, that the Barron County Parks &  
Recreation Ordinance be amended to add the following language concerning ATV/UTV  
usage in county parks:

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**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this Ordinance shall be effective upon its adoption and publication and that publication of this ordinance may occur through posting in accordance with Section 985.02 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

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**OFFERED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025.**

<p>Number of readings required: One ( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ) Two ( <input type="checkbox"/> )</p> <p>Vote required for passage: Majority ( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ) 2/3 Entire Board (20) ( <input type="checkbox"/> )</p> <p>Source of funding: Budgeted ( <input type="checkbox"/> ) General Fund ( <input type="checkbox"/> ) Grant ( <input type="checkbox"/> ) Contingency ( <input type="checkbox"/> ) Other ( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ) Details: N/A</p> <p>Fiscal impact: - Current year total amount: \$ 0 - Future years total amount: \$ 0 - Effect on tax levy – current year - \$ 0 - Effect on tax levy – future years - \$ 0</p> <p>Fiscal impact reviewed by County Finance Department</p> <p>_____ Jodi Busch, Finance Director</p> <p>Approved as to form by:</p> <p>_____ Jeffrey French, Administrator</p> <p>_____ John Muench, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>_____ Dana Heller, Property Committee Chair</p> <p>(The Committee Chair signature verifies the action taken by the Committee.)</p> <p>Board Action: Adopted ( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ) Failed ( <input type="checkbox"/> ) Tabled ( <input type="checkbox"/> )</p> <p><b>Motion: (Effertz/Kohnen)</b> to approve. Carried with 28 Yes and 1 Absent: McCready.</p>
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