

**ORDINANCE NO. 3865-10**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, MORE PARTICULARLY CHAPTER 260, PARKS AND RECREATION, ADD NEW ARTICLE VIII, TRAILS, SECTION 260-41, PERMITTED USES.**

**SUMMARY**

An ordinance amending Code Chapter 260, Parks and Recreation, Article VIII, Trails, Section 260-41, Permitted Uses, by outlining the procedure of how the trails permitted use list is amended and removing said list from the ordinance.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Franklin, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey that the Code of the Township of Franklin be and it is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION I**

**Chapter 260, Article VIII, Trails, Section 260-41 – Permitted Uses**, is amended as follows:

**ARTICLE VIII  
Trails**

**§ 260-41. Permitted Uses.**

The Township Recreation Director shall authorize and maintain a list of the Township’s trails and their permitted and prohibited uses. The list will be compiled after receiving the recommendation of the Trails Advisory Committee, or when the trails go through a native grassland preserve, the recommendation of both the Trails Advisory Committee and the Open Space Advisory Committee. The list of trails and their permitted and prohibited uses shall be updated as necessary and posted on the Township’s website.

Prior to the Trails Advisory Committee, or the Open Space Advisory Committee making any recommendation for a change in trail use, or for proposed uses for a new trail, notice of any such proposed change will be announced in the Committee’s agenda, a copy of such agenda provided to the Council and such agenda will be posted on the Township’s website. The Committee, when making any such recommendation, shall open its meeting for public comment on the proposed change and, only after providing the opportunity of public input, vote on the proposed recommendation and forward the same to the Township Manager and the Recreation Director.

**Franklin Township Trails – Permitted Uses**

Trail Location	Trail	Walking	Cross-Country Skis	Equestrian (Permit Required)	Bicycles	Snow Shoes	Dogs on Leash	Handicapped Accessible
<b>Bunker Hill Natural Area</b>	Yellow	✓	✓			✓	✓	
	Blue	✓	✓			✓	✓	
	Red	✓	✓			✓	✓	
<b>Bunker Hill Environmental Education Center</b>	All	✓	✓			✓		
<b>Butler Road Natural Area</b>	Red	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Purple	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Orange/ Yellow	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Franklin Park Natural Area</b>	Brown	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
<b>Griggstown Native Grassland Preserve</b>	Blue	✓	✓	✓		✓		
	Red	✓	✓	✓		✓		
	Orange	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Yellow	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
	Brown	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	

<b>Memorial Forest</b>	All	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
<b>Negri-Nepote Native Grassland Preserve</b>	Purple	✓	✓			✓		✓
	Yellow	✓	✓			✓		
	Brown	✓	✓			✓		
	Red	✓	✓			✓		

{✓ means this use is permitted, otherwise, the use is prohibited}

**SECTION II**

Each clause, section or subsection of this ordinance shall be deemed a separate provision to the intent that if any such clause, section or subsection should be declared invalid, the remainder of the ordinance shall not be affected.

**SECTION III**

All ordinances or parts of ordinance inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed as to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION IV**

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and publication according to law.

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THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF AN ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL, TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, SOMERSET, NJ

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ADOPTED: March 9, 2010  
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ANN MARIE McCARTHY, TOWNSHIP CLERK