ORDINANCE NO. 2007-07

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING ALL GLASS BOTTLES AND GLASS CONTAINERS IN ANY PARK OWNED, LEASED, MANAGED, OR OPERATED BY THE CITY OF ATKINS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Atkins Parks and Recreation Commission that glass bottles and glass containers, such as soft drink bottles, are being broken excessively in parks owned, leased, managed, or operated by the City of Atkins and;

WHEREAS, broken glass creates an offensive condition and a safety hazard in and around playground equipment, parking lots, ball fields, buildings, swimming pools, and other areas in parks owned, leased, managed, or operated by the City of Atkins;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATKINS, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Definitions: The following words and phrases when used in this Ordinance shall for the purpose of this Ordinance have the meanings respectively ascribed to them as follows:

Park: An open or partially open area or place owned, leased, managed, or operated by the City of Atkins or its duly appointed representatives for the benefit of the public at large and used for recreation, education, or natural or cultural preservation, and all auxiliary buildings including, but not limited to, restrooms, storage rooms, vending rooms, food and beverage rooms, equipment rooms, and rooms for displays, selling merchandise and offering information.

SECTION 2. Prohibition Against Glass Objects: The possession of all glass bottles, glass containers and other similar glass objects shall be prohibited in all areas of City Parks owned, leased, managed, or operated by the City of Atkins.

SECTION 3. Penalties: Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than fifty dollars ($50.00) and not more than two hundred fifty dollars ($250.00).

SECTION 4. Emergency Clause: This ordinance being necessary for the public peace, health, and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of April, 2007.

THE CITY OF ATKINS

By: _____
JERRY DON BARRETT, Mayor

ATTEST:

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BRENDA GRAVES, City Clerk

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