

ORDINANCE NO. 2-2023

**AN ORDINANCE GOVERNING THE USE AND OPERATION OF
GOLF CARTS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ANSONIA, OHIO
AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

WHEREAS, the use of golf carts as a means of alternative transportation has increased in recent years; and

WHEREAS, to provide for the safe and lawful use of golf carts upon the Village streets, this council is of the opinion of the need to adopt rules governing the use and operation of golf carts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Village of Ansonia, Ohio, that:

SECTION ONE

That the Village of Ansonia hereby enacts the following applicable to the operation and use of golf carts within the Village.

- A. Definition: A golf cart is a motor vehicle as the term is defined under O.R.C. 4501.01(B). This section may also apply to other under-speed vehicles at the discretion of the Chief of Police based on the definitions set forth in the Ohio Revised Code, as amended from time to time.

- B. Equipment: In addition to any rules or regulations promulgated by the Ohio Director of Public Safety, pursuant to O.R.C. Chapter 4511 and O.R. C. Chapter 4513, equipment of the golf cart shall include, but not necessarily be limited to requirements for the following items of equipment; all to be in working order during operation:
 - 1) Two working Headlights.
 - 2) Two red taillights.
 - 3) Must have directional Signals.
 - 4) Must have a rearview mirror.
 - 5) Must have a white light illuminating the rear license plate.
 - 6) Must have a horn.
 - 7) Must have windshield made of glass or safety glass.
 - 8) Must have a license plate bracketed to the back of the cart.
 - 9) Must have working brakes and brake lights.

SECTION TWO

The following pertains to all operators of any golf cart on the streets in the Village:

- 1) No person shall operate a golf cart on the streets within the Village unless the golf cart has been inspected for compliance with the State of Ohio Statutory Requirements that are applicable to motor vehicles entitling the owner or operator to secure a title and license for the golf cart.
- 2) The owner of the golf cart shall provide proof of insurance at the time of inspection.
- 3) The operator of a golf cart on the permitted streets within the city must hold a valid current motor vehicle driver's license or a valid learner's permit accompanied by a licensed operator.
- 4) A person shall operate the golf cart on public streets within the Village; obeying all traffic rules to vehicles, except that no person shall operate a golf cart on any State Highway except to cross at an intersection to traverse to a different street or to cross at local street or alleyway.
- 5) A person shall not operate a golf cart on sidewalks.
- 6) Occupants of golf carts shall be seated at all times while in the golf cart, when the golf cart is on and in motion. Standing on any portion of the golf cart while it is in motion is prohibited.

SECTION THREE

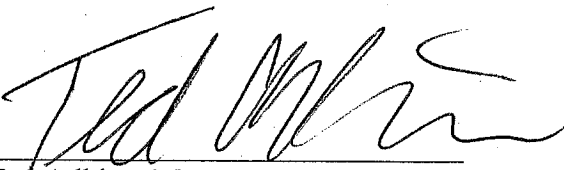
Whoever violates one of the above sections shall be subject to the penalties listed below:

Original Complaint: Offender shall receive a warning notice from the Ansonia Police Department; **thereafter:** anyone who violates this ordinance shall be subject to a traffic citation and to the penalties associated with the traffic moving violation.

SECTION FOUR

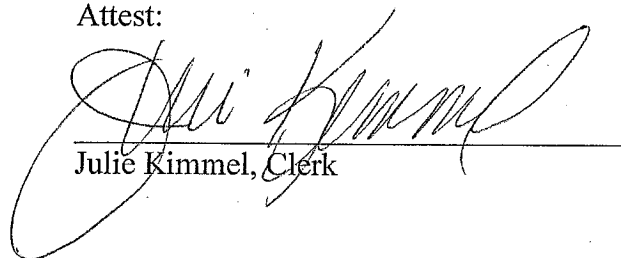
This Ordinance is deemed to be an emergency measure necessary for the health, welfare and safety of the residents of the Village of Ansonia, Ohio. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

Adopted this 18 day of April, 2023.



Ted Adkins, Mayor

Attest:



Julie Kimmel, Clerk

Approved as to form:

Wayne E. Waite, Village Solicitor