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BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF TREMONT, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

Section 1. That Chapter 73 of Title 7 of the Code of the Village of Tremont, Illinois, be amended by deleting in its entirety all of Sections 73.40 thru 73.43, and adding in lieu thereof, the following as Sections 73.40 thru 73.44:

“ § 73.40 Definitions.

A. For purposes of this chapter, the term "golf cart" means a vehicle specifically designed and intended for the purposes of transporting one or more persons and their golf clubs or maintenance equipment while engaged in the playing of golf, supervising the play of golf or maintaining the condition of the grounds of a public or private golf course.

B. For purposes of this chapter, the term "utility terrain vehicle, ("UTV"), means any manufactured off-road utility vehicle designed to be operated off-road that has seats that are side by side, in a non straddle configuration, and is factory equipped with the safety equipment required by Section 73.42 below.

§ 73.41. Limitation on Operation. Subject to the limitations set forth in this chapter, any person twenty-one (21) years of age or above with a valid driver's license may operate a golf cart or UTV on any street or highway under the jurisdiction of the Village. This section shall not be construed as granting permission for any person operating a golf cart or UTV to drive upon or cross any street or highway under the jurisdiction of Tremont Township, Elm Grove Township or Tazewell County, or to drive upon or cross any street or highway under the jurisdiction of the Illinois Department of Transportation including, without limitation, Illinois Route 9. Any crossing of Illinois Route 9 will be safely completed at Harris Street at Route 9 or at Locust Street at Route 9 as allowed by the Illinois Vehicle Code. No golf cart or UTV may be operated in the 100 or 200 block of South Sampson Street or the 100 block of West Walnut Street.

§ 73.42. Required Equipment. No golf cart or UTV may be operated on a street or highway under the jurisdiction of the Village unless, at a minimum, it has the following safety equipment:

- A. Brakes;
- B. Steering wheel apparatus;
- C. Tires;
- D. Rearview mirror;
- E. Red reflector warning devices on the front and rear;
- F. A slow moving emblem (as required of other vehicles at 625 ILCS 12-709 on the rear of the golf cart;
- G. A headlight that emits a white light visible from a distance of at least five hundred feet to the front;
- H. A tail lamp that emits a red light visible from a distance of at least one hundred feet from the rear;
- I. Brake lights on the rear of the vehicle; and
- J. Turn signals on the front and rear of the vehicle.

§ 73.43. Applicable Regulations. When on a street or highway under the jurisdiction of the Village, a golf cart or UTV shall be operated in accordance with the following regulations:

- A. The golf cart or UTV shall have its headlights and tail lamps lighted at all times.
- B. Any person operating a golf cart as authorized in this chapter shall travel on the street or highway in the same direction as traffic and as near to the right side of the roadway as possible.
- C. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, any person operating a golf cart or UTV on streets or highways under the jurisdiction of the Village shall obey any and all traffic regulations set forth either in the Tremont Village Code or in the Illinois Vehicle Code.
- D. Golf carts or UTV's may be operated only during daylight hours, furthermore, they shall not be operated in inclement weather nor when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, fog, or other conditions, or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons and vehicles on the roadway at a distance of 500 ft.
- E. The applicant and all operators must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

F. Any golf cart or UTV operated within the Village must acquire and display on the vehicle an inspection sticker from the Tremont Police Department along with an inspection/permit fee of \$25.00 annually. Any additional operators besides the original applicant will pay a fee of \$10 per registered operator.

§ 73.44 Permit Required.

A. No person shall operate a golf cart within the Village of Tremont without first obtaining a permit, or being listed as an additional operator under a permit, as provided herein. Permits shall expire on April 30 of each year. Applications for a permit shall be made on a form supplied by the Village, shall be executed by the applicant and each additional operator and shall contain the following information:

1. Name and address of applicant.
2. Name and address of any additional operators.
3. Name of liability insurance carrier and policy number.
4. The serial number, make, model and description of golf cart or UTV.
5. Waiver of liability;
6. Such other information as the Village may require.

B. No permit shall be granted unless the vehicle has been inspected and approved by the Tremont Police Department as follows:

1. A physically handicapped applicant or operator must submit a certificate signed by a physician, certifying that the applicant is able to safely operate a golf cart or UTV on Village streets;
2. The applicant must provide evidence of insurance in compliance with the provisions of the Illinois Statutes regarding minimum liability insurance for passenger motor vehicles to be operated on the roads of the State of Illinois;
3. The applicant must provide a copy of the driver's license of the applicant and each operator.

C. Permits may be renewed upon demonstration of compliance with the requirements for initial issuance of a permit and the payment of the permit fee.”

Section 2. All Ordinances or portions thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days after its passage approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED IN DUE FORM OF LAW, by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Tremont, at its regular meeting on the 1st day of July, 2013.

AYES: SCOTT, REPLOGLE, ZVERCHER, HARDING, PERRY

NAYS: SCRANTON

ABSENT: NONE

Madsen
Village President Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Gerald B. Madsen
Village Clerk

APPROVED, this 1st day of July, 2013:

Bob R. Borg
Village President