Fireworks Ordinance for Dallas Plantation

As adopted June 15, 2018

1. Purpose: The Dallas Plantation voters recognize that while the State of Maine has legalized the use of consumer fireworks, they still present a danger of injury and fire. To enhance the public safety, the voters adopt this ordinance to prohibit use of consumer fireworks in the York Wildlife Sanctuary.

2. Definitions
   a. “Consumer Fireworks” has the same meaning as the words are defined and used in Title 8 M.R.S. § 221-A(1-A) (2013).
   b. “Municipality” means Dallas Plantation.
   c. “Person” and “Possession” have the same meaning as the word as the words defined in Title 8 M.R.S. § 221-A(7)-(8) (2013).

3. Prohibition of Consumer Fireworks:
   The use of Consumer Fireworks within the York Wildlife Sanctuary, as defined in 12 M.R.S. § 12707(2)(B) is prohibited.

4. Penalties:
   a. Any violation of this Ordinance shall be a civil infraction subject to a fine of $500.00 for first offense.
   b. Any subsequent offense shall be a civil infraction subject to a fine of $1,000.00.
   c. Each violation shall be deemed a separate offense.
   d. Prosecution shall be in the name of the Municipality or its Sheriff.
   e. The Sheriff may seize and dispose of consumer fireworks used in violation of this Ordinance.
   f. Seized Consumer Fireworks shall be disposed of by transferring seized Consumer Fireworks to the Maine Commissioner of Public Safety or his or her designee.

5. Amendments: This ordinance may be amended by the municipal officers at any properly noticed meeting.

6. Severability Clause: If any part of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of the Ordinance.
Maine Wildlife Sanctuaries
York Game Sanctuary
Dallas Plantation
(As defined by Title 12, Section 12706, Paragraph KK)