

ORDINANCE NO. 86-1

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 17 OF THE CITY CODE OF LEBANON, INDIANA,
ADDING THERETO NEW SECTIONS PERTAINING TO THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS AND
WEAPONS INSIDE THE JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDS OF THE CITY OF LEBANON

WHEREAS, the City of Lebanon presently has an ordinance in effect pertaining to the discharge of cannons and firearms within the City of Lebanon under Section 17-4 of the Lebanon City Code outlining when cannons and firearms may be discharged within the territorial and jurisdictional bounds of the City of Lebanon; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Lebanon, after review and consideration, have found a reasonable necessity to update the provisions of said ordinance and expand upon the provisions relating to the discharge of weapons within the limits; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Lebanon has found and determined that it is necessary and desirable to further protect the residents of the City of Lebanon from the potential loss of property and injury or ~~death which may occur~~ from firearms; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Lebanon has found and determined that clarification of the City Code pertaining to the discharge of weapons within the city limits will aid in protecting the general public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEBANON, INDIANA as follows:

Section 1: That Chapter 17 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lebanon be and hereby is amended by the addition of the following section:

Section 17-4.1. Definitions:

Firearm: "Firearm" means any device, by whatever known, which is designed to expel a projectile or projectiles by the action of an explosion, expansion of gas or escape of gas, air gun, BB gun, or pellet gun projecting any lead or any missiles.

Handgun: Any firearm which is (a) designed or redesigned or made or remade, and intended ~~to be fired~~ while held in one hand or (b) having a barrel of less than ten inches in length or (c) a firearm of a size which may be concealed upon the person.

Person: Any individual, corporation, company, association, firm, partnership, club, society, or joint stock company.

Licensed Gun Club: A club or organization, organized for the purpose of practicing shooting at targets, licensed by the City of Lebanon under Section 2-89 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lebanon.

Section 2: It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm, cannon or detonate any explosives any place within the corporate limits of the city, or to assist any other person or persons to engage in any such discharging or detonation, unless such person has been granted special permission by the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Lebanon; provided, however, this section shall not apply to the following:

- (a) Any law enforcement officer who shall so discharge a firearm in the lawful performance of his duty;
- (b) Any person who shall so discharge a firearm in a regularly established shooting gallery, range or gun club licensed pursuant to regulations established by the Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Lebanon;