

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE USE OF AIR RIFLES,
SLING SHOTS, AND SIMILAR WEAPONS AND PROHIBITING
THE DISCHARGING OF ANY FIRE ARMS WITHIN
THE CORPORATE LIMITS; FIXING THE
PENALTY THEREFOR; DECLARING AN
EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Council of Gosnell that a dangerous situation exists and could exist in the future through the use of air rifles, sling shots, and other similar weapons, the discharge of fire arms within the corporate limits of the town; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that there is an immediate need to declare the use of such weapons and the discharge of fire arms unlawful;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOSNELL, ARKANSAS, that:

SECTION 1: It shall be unlawful for any person, adult or child, to use sling shots, bow and arrow, air rifles, "BB" guns and similar weapons anywhere within the City, unless upon premises licensed by the City for shooting galleries or other protected range permitted under proper regulations and control by a city ordinance.

SECTION 2: It shall further be unlawful for any person to discharge a fire arm within the City unless in self defense or defense of property, or in law enforcement. This Section shall not be construed so as to prevent the firing of any salute upon occasions of public interest.

Section 5: It is found and determined by the City Council of Gosnell, Arkansas, that this Ordinance is immediately necessary for the health, safety, and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Gosnell, and an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

ADOPTED THIS 13TH day of JUNE, 1972.

Archie S. Beville
MAYOR

Walter C. Maxwell
RECORDER