

ORDINANCE NO. 11-06-01

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JEWETT, TEXAS PROHIBITING THE USE
OR DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS DURING A BURN BAN; PROVIDING A
DEFINITION OF THE TERM ‘FIREWORKS’; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES**

WHEREAS, the use or discharge of fireworks can present a fire hazard to structures and property located within the city limits of the City of Jewett; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner’s Court of Leon County is authorized to declare a burn ban to protect the citizens and property of Leon County; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Jewett finds that it is in the best interest of the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Jewett to ban the use or discharge of fireworks within the city limits of the City of Jewett at any time during which a burn ban, as declared by the Leon County Commissioner’s Court, is in effect;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JEWETT, TEXAS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to use or discharge fireworks of any description within the city limits of the City of Jewett during any time in which a burn ban declared by the Commissioner’s Court of Leon County is in effect.

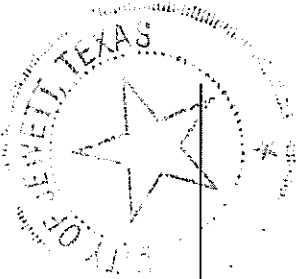
Section 2. As used in this Ordinance, the term “fireworks” means any firecracker, sky rocket, roman candle, sparkler, bottle rocket, or any other composition or device designed to produce a visible or audible effect or smoke by combustion, explosion or detonation.

Section 3. Any person found guilty of violating the prohibition set forth in Section 1 of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$1.00 nor more than \$2,000. During the period of any burn ban, as declared by the Leon County Commissioners’ Court, the City Administrator shall post a notice on the bulletin board located outside of the Jewett City Hall advising the public of the burn ban and the prohibition on the use or discharge of fireworks during the burn ban.

Section 4. The use or discharge of fireworks and when prohibited by this Ordinance within the city limits of the City of Jewett is hereby declared to be a common and public nuisance.

PASSED AND SIGNED THIS 24 DAY OF June, 2011.


BECKY J. HUGHES, MAYOR



ATTEST:


Sharon Weiler, City Secretary