



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Norte
MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE THIRD REGULAR SESSION OF THE 8TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS, ILOCOS NORTE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL ON THE 17TH DAY OF JUNE, 2013 AT 11:30 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING.

PRESENT:

Hon. Maria Teresa Valdez-Barrett	Vice-Mayor/Presiding Officer;
Hon. Aladine T. Santos	Member;
Hon. Norberto S. Dadiz, Jr.	Member;
Hon. Efren C. Butay	Member;
Hon. Rodolfo B. Mamacalay	Member;
Hon. Luciano R. Caraang	Member;
Hon. Angelo B. Ilaga	Member;
Hon. Oscar V. Domingo	Member.

ON-LEAVE:

Hon. Angel Miguel L. Hernando	Member/Liga ng mga Barangay President.
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ABSENT:

Hon. Tenny A. Badua	Member;
Hon. Edilon D. Ruiz	Member/PPSK President.

“MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2013-10

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE THIRD FRIDAY OF JUNE OF EVERY YEAR AS THE ARBOR DAY OF THE MUNICIPALITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Bayan in session duly assembled:

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* -This Ordinance shall be known as the "Arbor Day Ordinance of the Municipality of San Nicolas, Province of Ilocos Norte".

SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy.* - It is hereby declared the policy of the Municipality to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature. Towards this end, the vital role and importance of trees in ecological stability is recognized. Hence, there is a need for a collaborated effort between the State and its citizenry to combat the loss of our natural resources and rejuvenate our environment by undertaking nationwide tree planting activities and providing effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability.

SECTION 3. *Creation of Arbor Day Committee.* - In implementing the intents of this Ordinance, there shall be created in the Municipality an Arbor Day Celebration Committee the composition of which shall be as follows:

Chairperson: Local Chief Executive

Vice-Chairpersons: Vice-Mayor
SB Chairperson Committee on Environment and Ecology

Members:

- a. Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer;
- b. Municipal Agriculturist;
- c. District Supervisor, Department of Education;
- d. School Principals (public and private);

- e. Local Government Operations Officer;
- f. Municipal Agrarian Reform Officer;
- g. District Engineer, Department of Public Works and Highways, 2nd Engineering District;
- h. Tourism Officer designate
- i. Chief of Police, PNP San Nicolas
- j. Sangguniang Kabataan Federated President;
- k. Liga ng mga Barangay President;
- l. Two (2) Representatives from NGO;
- m. Media association representative;
- n. And such other members as the local chief executive may deem it necessary.

SECTION 4. *Functions of the Arbor Day Committee.* – The following are the functions of the Committee:

- a. Formulate plans and programs necessary to achieve the intent of this Ordinance;
- b. Specify the areas to be planted with trees and ornamental plants;
- c. Monitor and record the activities and projects undertaken under this ordinance;
- d. And such other functions incidental thereto.

SECTION 5. *Proclamation of Arbor Day.* – The Arbor Day Celebration shall be done Every Third Friday of Every June: Provided, That the Arbor Day (Tree Planting) designated shall be declared as a public working holiday in order to ensure the participation of the different sectors of society.

SECTION 6. *Funding.* -The sanggunian shall provide for the allocation of resources pertinent to the implementation of this ordinance.

SECTION 7. *Information and Monitoring.* - For information and monitoring purposes, all concerned agencies, departments, and institutions shall submit to the Committee their accomplishment in relation to the Arbor Day Celebration.

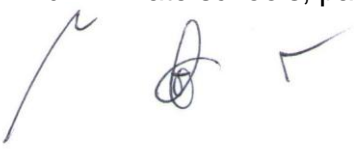
SECTION 8. *Supply and Distribution of Seedlings.* - The Municipal Agriculture Office shall be responsible in the supply and distribution of seedlings for the tree planting program of the municipality.

SECTION 9. *Planting of Trees.* - All able-bodied citizens of the Philippines residing in the municipality, who are at least twelve (12) years of age, shall be required to plant one (1) tree every year.

SECTION 10. *Areas Covered by Tree Planting.* – The Arbor Day Celebrations Committee shall specify the area within the municipality to be planted or reforested. If the area to be planted or reforested is a protected area or a protection forest, the Committee shall encourage the use of endemic or indigenous species during the observance of the Arbor Day designated by the municipality.

The tree planting activities shall be done in any of the following areas:

- a. Public school grounds, gardens or other available areas within the school premises;
- b. Idle or vacant public lands;
- c. Public parks in urban and rural areas; and
- d. Private schools, parks and lands with the consent of the owner thereof.



SECTION 11. *Maintenance of Trees.* - The barangay officials and deputized nongovernmental organizations shall be responsible for the maintenance of such trees.

SECTION 12. *Separability Clause.* - If any provision of this Ordinance or any part thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION 13. *Repealing Clause.* - All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders or regulations and other issuances inconsistent with the provisions and/or purposes of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. *Effectivity Clause.* - This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.”

Voting on the foregoing ordinance was as follows:

AYES : Members Santos, Dadiz, Jr., Butay, Mamaclay, Caraang, Ilaga, & Domingo.
NAYS : None.
ABSTAINED : None.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

ATTESTED:


MARIA TERESA VALDEZ-BARRETT
Vice-Mayor/ Presiding Officer


ENRIQUE P. ULEP, JR.
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan I

APPROVED:


ALFREDO P. VALDEZ, JR., M.D.
Municipal Mayor

Approved on: June 17, 2013