



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Ilocos Norte

**MUNICIPALITY OF NUEVA ERA**

**Office of the Sangguniang Bayan**

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF NUEVA ERA, ILOCOS NORTE, HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON JANUARY 3, 2014 AT 9:00 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING, FRIDAY

**PRESENT:**

HON. CAROLINE A. GARVIDA  
HON. JOSEPH B. ARZADON  
HON. REDENTOR B. VALERA  
HON. BENABEL A. LALUGAN  
HON. JERRY D. ALEJANDRO  
HON. ROGER O. ARZADON  
HON. OSIAS O. BUENO  
HON. AGRIFINA T. DUMLAO  
HON. JURLANDINO CASTILLO  
HON. PETRONIO H. RIQUELMAN JR.

Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer  
SB Member

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ABC President

ABSENT: NONE

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**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2014- 01**

**AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING FEES FOR THE USE OF THE FACILITIES/AMENITIES OF THE NUEVA ERA ECO-CULTURAL PARK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NUEVA ERA, ILOCOS NORTE, AND IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF.**

**WHEREAS**, Section 5, Article X of the 1987 Constitution provides that "Each Local Government Unit shall have the power to create its own sources of revenues and to levy taxes, fees and charges subject to such guidelines and limitations as the congress may provide, consistent with basic policy of local autonomy. Such fees and charges shall accrue exclusively to local government";

**WHEREAS**, Section 186, chapter 5, Title One, Book II of the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that Local Government Units may exercise the power to levy taxes, fees and charges on any base or subject not otherwise specifically enumerated herein or taxed under the provisions of the national internal revenue code, as amended, or other applicable;

**WHEREAS**, the Municipality of Nueva Era has established an Eco-Cultural Park with different facilities and amenities within the thick forest and is ready for use;

**WHEREAS**, in order to cover the costs of administration and operations, the collection of fees and charges is the primary concern of the Local Government Unit of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte;

**NOW THEREFORE**, be it Resolved as it is hereby resolved, to enact an ordinance, prescribing fees for the use of the facilities/amenities of the Nueva Era Eco-Cultural Park, to wit:



CHAPTER 1  
TITLE, POLICIES AND DEFINITIONS

**SECTION 1. TITLE OF THE ORDINANCE.** This ordinance shall be known as "NUEVA ERA ECO-CULTURAL TOURISM DEVELOPMENT FEE ORDINANCE OF 2014"

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** It shall be the policy of the Municipality of Nueva Era:

- a. To promote conservation and ensure sustainable and equitable utilization of its forest and terrestrial resources in conformity with the goals of the municipality on eco-cultural tourism, National Integrated Protected Area System Act and other pertinent laws;
- b. To promote ecological solid waste management and waste water management in conformity with the Ecological Waste Management Act of 2000 and the Clean water Act of 2004 and other relevant laws;
- c. To ensure for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte the wise and judicious utilization, protection, conservation and management on a sustainable basis of its natural resources with the necessity of maintaining a sound ecological balance, protecting and enhancing the quality of the environment;
- d. To enhance, promote and sustain tourism activities in the municipality through the conservation management and protection of its forest resources, and
- e. To establish additional sources of funding which shall be applied to finance conservation, protection and management of the forests, aquatic resources, landscapes and urban environment of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte;

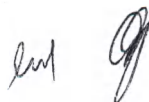
**SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS AND PHRASES.** As used in this ordinance, the following terms shall mean as follows:

- a. **ACCOMODATION ESTABLISHMENT**- refers to tribal houses, villas, inns or lodging places and other establishments temporarily occupied by the tourists.
- b. **AUTHORIZED COLLECTOR**- refers to any person who has been duly appointed by the Mayor to collect eco-cultural development fees.
- c. **ECO-CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT FEE** – refers to charges imposed on any non-resident tourist who visits the municipality or any accommodation establishment within the municipality. Such fees shall support sustainable programs for tourism and environment protection, conservation and management.
- d. **TOURIST** – refers to any individual who is not a resident of the Municipality.
- e. **RESIDENT** – refers to any individual who resides in the municipality of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte . Proof of residency shall include community tax certificates, employment identification and other appropriate current ID.
- f. **STUDENTS OF ILOCOS NORTE**- refers to any individual duly enrolled in any educational institution within the province. Proof of registration or valid school identification should be presented to be classified as such.

CHAPTER II  
ECO-CULTURAL TOURISM DEVELOPMENT FEES

**SECTION I. SCOPE AND APPLICATION**

1. The provision of this chapter shall apply to:





- a. All tourists who visit and enjoy the natural scenery of Nueva Era.
- b. 50 % discount to all residents of Nueva Era to cover entrance fee only.
2. Proof of compliance – Possession of Eco-cultural /tourism development fee which could be either:
  - a. Proof of payment
  - b. Visitor's ticket or token as may be designated and approved by the Municipal Mayor shall be valid for ten (10) days reflected by the dates stamped and for validation by the authorized entity.

**SECTION 2. MANNER OF COLLECTION** – The Eco-cultural Development fee should be collected any time of the day upon approval, subject to the schedule of fees provided in Section 3 of this chapter. The Local Government Unit of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte shall designate authorized collector to collect at designated points within the Municipality and monitor the collections on a daily basis.

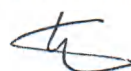
**SECTION 3. SCHEDULE OF FEES:**

- a. ENTRANCE FEE----- 50.00  
(Free tour of Hunting village, Agricultural village, and "Duyan" use)
- b. Entrance Fee Tribal Museum----- 20.00
- c. Use of villas /per unit (Overnight) ----- 1,500.00
- d. Use of tree houses ( per unit)-----1,500.00
- e. Use of agricultural village (per unit)----- 1,500.00
- f. Use of swimming pool----- (1<sup>st</sup> 3 hours) 50.00 (additional fee of Php25.00 for an hour thereafter )
- g. Use of swimming pool cottages-(1<sup>st</sup> 3 hours) 200.00 (additional fee of Php50.00 for an hour thereafter)
- h. Use of function hall/Mini Arena----- (per event but not exceed 5 hours)  
4,000.00 (additional fee of Php500.00 for an hour thereafter)
- i. Canopy Walk----- 200.00
- j. Picnic cottages----- (1<sup>st</sup> 3 hours)- 300.00 (additional fee of Php50.00 for an hour thereafter)
- k. Picnic Table----- (1<sup>st</sup> 3 hours) 200.00 (additional fee of Php50.00 for an hour thereafter)
- l. Photo Shoot-(unlimited shots)-----Package 1,000.00 (Php 100.00 per view)

**CHAPTER III**  
**MANAGEMENT OF FUNDS (PROCEEDS)**

**SECTION 1. APPLICATION OF FUNDS (PROCEEDS).** The proceeds from the sale of visitor's tickets shall be assigned to a trust fund.

**SECTION 2. TRUST FUND.** A Trust account shall be created to support the operation, administration and environmental activities to improve and enhance tourism. Provided that disbursement from this account shall be solely for the protection and management of the resources contributing to the promotion and development of eco-cultural tourism in the municipality.




**SECTION 3. ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE FUND.** The Municipal Mayor through the Municipal Treasurer's Office shall administer and manage all collections and disbursements out from this ordinance under the following guidelines:

- a. The Sangguniang Bayan shall prioritize tourism and environmental projects to be financed under this trust fund upon submission of work and financial plan, and
- b. The Technical Working Group shall recommend for any expansion of the Eco-Cultural Park upon assessment for its growth and expansion.

**SECTION 4. USES OF FUND.** The following shall govern the rules governing the uses of the funds:

- a. Not more than 30% of gross collections shall be used for the administrative expenses, such as printing of tickets and token, salaries of collectors and checkers, production of IEC materials, office supplies, transportation expenses, communication expenses, other operating expenses and establishment of information center.
- b. The fifty percent (50%) of the gross collection shall be used only for the environmental and tourism projects.
- c. The remaining twenty percent (20%) of the gross collection shall accrue to the local treasury that will form part of the general fund.
- d. All disbursements/expenses shall be subject to the usual accounting and auditing regulations.

**SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION.** An initial of Php1,500,000.00 from the municipal funds shall be earmarked for the purpose of setting-up the necessary institutional mechanisms and processes that will ensure the effective implementation of this ordinance.

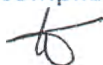
#### CHAPTER IV PENALTIES, SANCTIONS AND INCENTIVES MECHANISM

##### SECTION 1. PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS

- a. Any person who refuses to pay for the eco-cultural tourism development fee shall be penalized with a fine of Php. 1,500.00
- b. Misrepresentation of one's identity, residency and the like in order to avoid payment of the fee shall be penalized by paying Php. 2,500.00.
- c. Non-issuance of tickets by the designated or authorized collector shall be penalized with a fine of Php. 2,500.00 without prejudice to the cancellation of the authority to collect and the filing of appropriate criminal and administrative cases.
- d. Collection of the tourism development fee by a person not authorized to collect shall be punishable by a fine of Php. 2,500.00 and/or imprisonment of not more than ninety (90) days at the discretion of the court.

The Municipal Mayor shall impose administrative sanctions to anyone who violates this ordinance.

**SECTION 2. INCENTIVE MECHANISM.** The municipal government shall establish incentive mechanism for actively participating in the compliance of this ordinance.





**SECTION 3. MONITORING AND PROSECUTION OF VIOLATORS.** The quasi-judicial body of Local Government of Nueva Era, the Municipal Tourism Council and Nueva Era Environment Law Enforcement Council shall form a joint team to monitor and prosecute violators of this ordinance.

## CHAPTER V IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS

**SECTION 1.** The Municipal Mayor shall supervise the proper implementation of this ordinance with the assistance of the technical working group with core composition:

Chairman : Hon. Atty. Aldrin R. Garvida, Municipal Mayor  
Vice Chairman : Hon. Caroline A. Garvida, Vice Mayor  
Members : Hon. Benabel A. Lalugan, SB Chairman, Committee on Tourism  
Mrs. Rhearizza G. Rivera, Municipal Tourism Officer Designate  
Two Representatives of Non-Government Organizations

The Technical Working Group shall formulate the Implementing Rules and Regulations for the effective implementation of this ordinance.

## CHAPTER VI FINAL PROVISIONS

**SECTION 1. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All previous ordinances which are inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 2. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any part, section or subsection of this ordinance shall be declared illegal, inconsistent or invalid for being ultra vires or for being violative of law, decree, rule or regulation, such part, section or sub-section shall be considered automatically amended or revised to conform with the law, decree, rule, or regulation so violated.

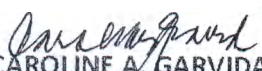
**SECTION 3. EFFECTIVITY.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval of the Sangguniang Bayan and review of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan.

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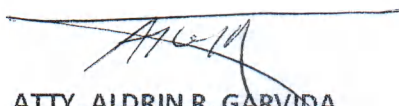
CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
**LILY U. DALAG**  
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

ATTESTED:

  
**CAROLINE A. GARVIDA**  
Municipal Vice Mayor  
JAN 06 2013

APPROVED:

  
**ATTY. ALDRIN R. GARVIDA**  
Municipal Mayor  
JAN 06 2013



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**COMMITTEE REPORT**

(COMMITTEE ON TOURISM, TRADE AND INDUSTRY)  
(COMMITTEE ON RULES ETHICS LAWS & PRIVILEGES)  
(COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS)

THE HONORABLE PRESIDING OFFICER  
AND SB MEMBERS

Subject: **Re: An Ordinance Prescribing fee for the use of Facilities/Amenities of the Nueva Era Eco-Cultural Park.**

**FINDINGS/OBSERVATIONS:**

1. The draft ordinance was crafted, providing administration and operation of the Nueva Era Eco-Cultural Park in the Municipality, imposition and collections of fees for the use of facilities/amenities.
2. The fees or services of the Nueva Era Eco-Cultural Park are well within the scope of taxing powers of the Municipality.

This 27<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013 at Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte.

  
**HON. REDENTOR B. VALERA**

Chairman, Comm. On Ways and Means  
Vice Chairman, Comm. On Laws

  
**HON. BENABEL A. LALUGAN**

Chairman, Comm. On Tourism, Trade and Industry  
Member, Comm. On Laws and  
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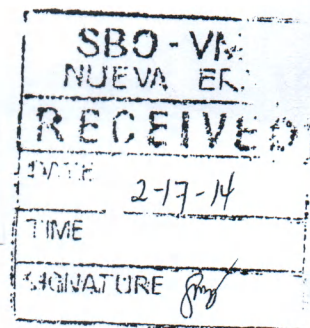
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SANGGUNIAN SESSION HALL, PROVINCIAL CAPITOL,  
LAOAG CITY, AT 2:50 O'CLOCK P.M.,  
MONDAY, 27 JANUARY 2014.

Present:

Hon. Ria Christina G. Fariñas, Member,  
and Temporary Presiding Officer,  
Hon. Albert D. Chua, Member,  
Hon. Da Vinci M. Crisostomo, Member,  
Hon. Juan Conrado A. Respicio II, Member,  
Hon. James Paul C. Nalupta, Member,  
Hon. Rogelio R. Balbag, Member,  
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Hon. Charles L. Tadena, ABC-IN, Member.

Absent:

Hon. Eugenio Angelo M. Barba, Vice-Governor,  
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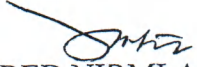
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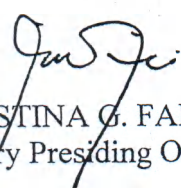
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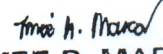
I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Resolution.

  
MILDRED NIRMLA R. LAMOSTE  
Provincial Board Secretary

ATTESTED:

  
RIA CHRISTINA G. FARIÑAS  
Temporary Presiding Officer

APPROVED 06 FEB 2014  
DATE

  
IMEE R. MARCOS  
PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR





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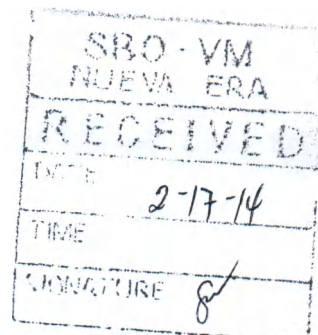
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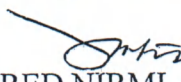
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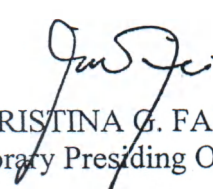
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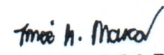
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January 20, 2014

The Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members  
Provincial Capitol, Laoag City

**THRU: The Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan**  
Provincial Capitol, Laoag City

Sir/Madam:

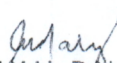
Respectfully submitting herewith the enactments passed by the Sangguniang Bayan of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte, for review, as follows:

- a. Municipal Ordinance No. 2013-04 Re: An Ordinance enacting the Nueva Era Local Investments and Incentives Code of 2013;
- b. Municipal Ordinance No. 2013-05 Re: An Ordinance enacting the Solid Waste Management Code of the Municipality of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte.
- c. Municipal Ordinance No. 2014- 01 Re: An Ordinance prescribing fees for the use of the facilities/amenities of the Nueva Era Eco-cultural Park in the Municipality of Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte, and imposing penalties for the violation thereof.

Attached herewith, the attendance and signatures of the public who attended the public hearings conducted.

Please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Very truly yours,

  
LILY U. DALAG

Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan