

ORDINANCE NO. 88

WEED AND GRASS CONTROL ORDINANCE

The Village of Almont Ordains:

SECTION 1. DEFINITION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS

- A. For the purposes of this ordinance "Noxious Weeds" shall include, Canada Thistle, dodders, mustard plants, wild carrot, Bindweed, hoary alyssum, ragweed and poison ivy, poison sumac, or other plant which, in the opinion of the Village Council is regarded as a common nuisance.
- B. For purposes of this ordinance "grass" shall include any plants normally used as lawn covering, which has exceeded a length of four inches, and as such has become a public nuisance.

SECTION 2. DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS AND GRASSES.

It shall be the duty of all owners of land on which noxious weeds or grass which has exceeded a length of six inches, found growing within the corporate limits of the Village of Almont, to destroy said noxious weeds or grasses before they reach a seed-bearing stage and to prevent such weeds or grasses from perpetuating themselves or to prevent such weeds from becoming a detriment to public health. The Village Manager shall notify, by certified mail with return receipt requested, the owner, agent or occupant of any land on which noxious weeds or grasses are found growing. Such notice shall be in substantially form:

VILLAGE OF ALMONT

NOXIOUS WEED AND GRASS NOTICE

TO: (name and address)

RE: (location of land where weeds are found)

Notice is hereby given that noxious weeds or grass in excess of four inches of length are found growing upon the above described property in the Village of Almont. The weeds or grasses must be cut down or destroyed within ten (10) days from the date of this notice. In case you fail or refuse to comply with this notice, the undersigned Village Manager will enter upon your land and destroy said weeds or grasses. The expense incurred by the Village in the destruction of said weeds or grasses will constitute a lien against the above described land, which will be enforced as provided by law. Failure to comply with this notice will subject you to fine of not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars and/or imprisonment for not more than ninety (90) days.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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Village Manager

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Failure of the Village Manager to give notice shall not, however, constitute a defense in any action to enforce the payment of any penalty provided for, or debt created under the provisions of this ordinance. In case any owner, agent or occupant shall refuse to destroy such noxious weeds or grasses, or cause same to be destroyed, the Village Manager, may enter upon such lands and destroy such noxious weeds or cause the same to be destroyed. Express power to enter upon such land and destroy such weeds and grasses is hereby conferred upon such Village Manager. Any expense incurred in such destruction shall be paid by the owner or owners of such lands and the Village shall have a lien against such lands for such expenses.



Betty J. Doster  
Almont Village Clerk



Frank H. Smith  
Almont Village President

I hereby certify that the above is a complete and true copy of an ordinance passed by the Almont Village Council at their Regular Meeting, September 3, 1974.



Betty J. Doster  
Almont Village Clerk

Voting Yes: Reid, Reppuhn, Heim, Smith and Duggan

Voting No: None

Ordinance Declared Adopted

Dated

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