

**THE VILLAGE OF OAKS
CLAY COUNTY, MISSOURI**

BILL NO. 57

ORDINANCE NO. 57

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE GROWTH OF VEGETATION

AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKS, CLAY COUNTY, MISSOURI, TO REGULATE AND CONTROL THE GROWTH OF WEEDS AND OTHER VEGETATION IN AND UPON ANY LOT OF LAND WITHIN THE VILLAGE LIMITS AND TO PROVIDE FOR NOTIFICATION TO INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS AND TO PROVIDE FOR ABATEMENT UPON FAILURE OF THE OWNER TO COMPLY, AND TO DECLARE THE COST OF ABATEMENT A LIEN UPON THE PROPERTY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OAKS AS FOLLOWS:

Section I. Nuisance. Weeds and other rank vegetation allowed to grow and stand upon any lot of land within the Village limits, to a greater height than twelve inches, are hereby deemed and declared to be a nuisance, and it shall be unlawful for any owner, lessee or occupant, or any agent, representative or employee of such owner having control of any occupied or unoccupied lot or parcel of ground within the Village limits, to permit any such lot or along the sidewalk or street adjacent to the same between the property line and the curb, or if there is no curb, then within ten feet outside such property line, any growth of weeds or other rank vegetation to a greater than twelve inches; and it shall be the duty of any such owner, lessee, occupant, agent or representative of the owner of any lot to cut, or cause to be cut, all such weeds and other rank vegetation of a height greater than twelve inches.

Section II. Same-Notice to Cut. Whenever the Trustees of the Village of Oaks shall find that weeds or other rank vegetation has been allowed to stand upon any lot of ground to a greater height than twelve inches, they shall serve written notice upon the owner, lessee, or occupant of such premises, or upon the agent or representative of the owner of such land having control thereof, to comply with the provisions of the preceding section. It shall be sufficient notice to deposit a copy of such notice in the United States mail properly stamped and directed to the persons shown upon the records of the Clay County Recorder of Deeds as being the record owner of said property.

Section III. Same-Same-Failure of Owner to Cut After Notice. If the owners, lessees or agents of property described in Section I fail to cut or remove the weeds or other rank vegetation after the lapse of ten (10) days from the date of notice under the provisions of Section II, the Trustees of the Village of Oaks may enter upon the lots of land and cut and remove such weeds and other rank vegetation and charge the cost thereof to the owner of the lots. The cost of cutting and removing such weeds and other rank vegetation and

abatement of the nuisance shall be a lien on the property affected thereby. As soon as the cost of the cutting and removing such weeds and other rank vegetation and the abatement of the nuisance caused thereby shall be determined by the Trustees of the Village of Oaks, they shall notify by registered letter deposited in the United States mails, the owners, lessees or agents of the cost and it: after thirty (30) days from the mailing of such notice the costs of cutting or removing the weeds and rank vegetation and the abatement of the nuisance caused thereby is not paid, the Trustees of the Village of Oaks shall certify assessment and apportionments covering the costs to the treasurer (clerk) of the Village of Oaks. Such apportionment shall contain the name or names of the owner or owners and all other parties interested in the lot or lots of land affected and charged therewith who were such upon the date when the cutting or removal of such weeds and rank vegetation and the abatement of the nuisance resulting therefrom was performed. Such names are to be determined and taken from the Recorder of Deed's books, but no defect or mistake in the description therein shall impair the validity of the lien on such lots or bills issued therefore. The treasurer (clerk) shall immediately upon the receipt of such apportionment enter the assessments therein contained in the appropriate books to be kept for that purpose showing the property assessed.

Passed on the sixth day of February, 1962.

James W. Garner
Chairman, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Maureen Konrad Village Clerk