

## **§ 3-2 BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS.**

### **§ 3-2.1 Accumulation of Brush, Weeds and Trash Prohibited.**

[Ord. #12/20/72, § 1; Ord. #2012-07]

It shall be unlawful for any owner or owners, occupant or occupants, tenant or tenants of any lot or tract of land situate within the Borough to permit or maintain on any such lot or tract of land any brush, weeds, dead or dying trees, stumps, roots, obnoxious growth, filth, garbage, trash and debris injurious to the public health, safety and general welfare or where the same shall tend to create a fire hazard. Grass or weeds in excess of eight inches in height shall be considered a violation of the within section.

### **§ 3-2.2 Violations and Penalties.**

[Ord. #12/20/72, § 2; New; Ord. # 2012-07]

Any owner or owners, occupant or occupants, tenant or tenants who shall neglect to cut and remove or otherwise destroy such brush, grass, weeds, dead or dying trees, stumps, roots, obnoxious growth, filth, garbage, trash and debris as directed by this section shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject, for each offense, to the General Penalty as established in Chapter 1, Section 1-5.

### **§ 3-2.3 Notice to Remove; Removal by Borough; Costs a Lien.**

[Ord. # 12/20/72, § 3; Ord. #2012-07]

The Borough Code Enforcement Officer or his or her designee may at any time he or she believes there was a violation of the within provisions shall give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, tenant or tenants to cut and remove or otherwise destroy any such brush, weeds, grass, dead or dying trees, stumps, roots, obnoxious growth, filth, garbage, trash and debris within 10 days after notice to remove the same has been received from the Borough, which notice may be affected by personal service, by regular mail, by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. Thereafter, the Borough shall cause the same to be removed under the direction of the Code Enforcement Officer or the designee or any other duly authorized individual of the Borough; and such officer shall certify the costs thereof to the Borough Council, which shall examine the certificate and, if found correct, shall cause the cost as shown thereon to be charged against the land and premises; and the cost shall be added to and become and form a part of the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon the land, the same to bear interest at the same rate as taxes, and shall be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as taxes.

### **§ 3-2.4 Collection of Fine Not Bar to Recovery of Costs of Removal.**

[Ord. #12/20/72, § 4]

The imposition and collection of the fine imposed by this section shall not constitute any bar to the right of the Borough to collect the cost, as certified, for the removal of such growths, in the manner herein authorized.

### **§ 3-2.5 Emergent Repairs.**

[Ord. #2012-07]

At any time the Code Enforcement Officer, his designee or a law enforcement officer of the Borough determines that an emergent situation exists which presents a condition which could cause serious or life threatening injury or death said official shall request immediate securing or repairing to alleviate said condition. Thereafter, said officer shall certify the cost thereof to the Borough Council, which shall examine the certificate and, if found correct, shall cause the cost as shown thereon to be charged against the land and premises; and the cost shall be added to and become and form a part of the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon the land, the same to bear interest at the same rate as taxes, and shall be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as taxes.

### **§ 3-2.6 Emergent Repairs—Violations and Penalties.**

[Ord. # 2012-07]

The owner or owners, occupant or occupants, tenant or tenants responsible for causing said emergent situation shall, in addition to the above referenced costs, be subject, upon conviction, to the General Penalty as established in Chapter **1**, Section **1-5**.