

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 30043

Ordinance No. _____ Passed _____, 20 _____

ORDINANCE 2025-15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1333.01, 1333.02, 1333.03, AND 1333.04 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO ESTABLISH EXPEDITED ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES FOR GRASS AND WEED NUISANCE VIOLATIONS

WHEREAS, the Village of Doylestown is a charter municipality with home rule authority under Article XVIII, Section 3 of the Ohio Constitution; and

WHEREAS, high grass and noxious weeds on private property constitute a nuisance and health hazard, particularly during the growing season; and

WHEREAS, the Village seeks to protect public welfare through timely and efficient enforcement procedures;

NOW THEREFORE, by the Council of the Village of Doylestown, County of Wayne, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: Sections 1333.01, 1333.02, 1333.03, and 1333.04 of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Doylestown are hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 1333.01 GRASS AND WEED NUISANCE VIOLATIONS

(a) No owner, occupant, or person having charge of land within the Village shall permit grass or noxious weeds to grow to a height exceeding eight (8) inches, or to otherwise create a nuisance or fire hazard.

(b) In the event of a violation of this section, the Village may post a conspicuous notice on the subject property providing forty-eight (48) hours to abate the condition. No mailed or published notice shall be required.

(c) If the violation is not corrected within forty-eight (48) hours of the posted notice, the Village may cause the grass or weeds to be cut and abated by Village staff or a contractor.

(d) The cost of abatement, including administrative fees, shall be assessed to the property owner and, if unpaid, certified to the Wayne County Auditor for placement on the tax duplicate as a lien against the property, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 731.54 or other applicable law.

§ 1333.02 NOTICE OF VIOLATION

The posting of the notice in a conspicuous location on the property shall constitute sufficient notice under this Chapter. The Village shall not be required to provide additional written or mailed notice for each violation.

§ 1333.03 ABATEMENT BY VILLAGE

Upon failure of the property owner to comply within forty-eight (48) hours of the posted notice, the Village may proceed with cutting and removal of weeds and grass. The Village Administrator is authorized to employ personnel or private contractors to perform the work.

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§ 1333.04 ASSESSMENT OF COSTS

(a) The Village shall maintain records of the costs of abatement and administrative processing.

(b) A statement of costs shall be mailed to the property owner, who shall have thirty (30) days to remit payment.

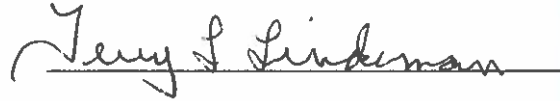
(c) If the amount due is not paid within thirty (30) days, it shall be certified to the County Auditor as a lien upon the property.

SECTION 2: All other provisions of the existing Section 1333 not replaced and/or revised hereto, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: That this Ordinance is hereby declared an emergency to implement and add these revised amendments to the existing code at the earliest possible time permitted by law for the public peace, health, safety and general welfare of the Village and to have them in effect immediately.

PASSED: June 18, 2025

Attest:


Terry L. Lindeman, Mayor



Kristen J. Robison, Clerk of Council