

ORDINANCE NO. 56

"AN ORDINANCE TO PROMOTE THE SAFETY, HEALTH AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE INHABITANTS OF THE CITY OF PORTAGE DES SIOUX, MO. BY THE CONTROL OF WEEDS, THE PROHIBITING OF ACCUMULATION OF COMBUSTIBLE MATERIAL IN PLACES THAT MIGHT ENDANGER LIVES AND PROPERTY, AND ESTABLISHING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF."

SECTION I

Combustible material. It shall be unlawful for any person to permit to remain upon any roof or in any court, yard, vacant lot, street, or open space, any accumulation of wastepaper, boxes, cartons, packing cases, packing material, hay, grass, straw, weeds, litter or combustible or flammable material, waste or rubbish of any kind. All weeds, grass, vines or other growth, when same endangers property, or is liable to be fired, shall be cut down and removed by the owner or occupant of the property it is on.

SECTION II

It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or permit any amount of combustible or flammable waste paper or material, such as boxes, packing cases, packing material, straw, paper, paper cartons, and other like material to accumulate in any building in the city.

SECTION III

Weeds prohibited. After due notice it shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant of any lot or parcel of ground in the city to allow or maintain on any such lot or parcel of ground any growth of weeds to a height of over one foot, provided however, that nothing in this and the following Sections shall be construed as applying to any portion of the City not subdivided into blocks or to any field used for farming purposes.

SECTION IV

Weeds - notice to remove. It shall be the duty of the City Marshal or other authorized City officers, upon personal observation or information, to notify, in writing, any person allowing or maintaining weed growths as referred to in the preceding Section to remove such weeds within Ten (10) days after receipt of notice.

Notice as required herein shall be served personally or by mailing to the last known address of the owner or occupant.

SECTION V

Offenses - failure to obey notice. Upon failure of any owner or occupant to remove the weeds in the time specified in the notice, the City may cause such weeds to be removed and all costs and expenses incurred by the City in such removing shall be assessed as a special tax bill against such owner or occupant in the same manner and with the same effect that special tax bills are assessed for paving streets, and shall be a lien against the property.

SECTION VI

When effective. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage by the Board of Aldermen and signed approval of the Mayor.

Enacted August 7, 1961.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CLERK