

ORDINANCE NO. 213

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE GROWTH AND ACCUMULATION OF  
WEEDS, FOR THE ABATEMENT THEREOF BY THE TOWN, AND  
PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION OF COSTS OF ABATEMENT

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF SUGAR CITY:


Section 1. No owner of any lot, block or parcel of ground within the town, nor any tenant or agent in charge thereof, shall allow or permit weeds to grow or remain when grown on such lot, block or parcel of ground, or on or along any sidewalk adjoining the same, or in the alley behind the same, but such weeds shall be cut close to the ground and kept so cut so that the same shall not exceed 4 inches in height.

Section 2. If any owner, tenant or agent in charge shall fail to cut weeds as required by this ordinance within 5 days after being notified to do so by the Town Clerk by certified mail, the Board of Trustees may direct that the weeds be cut by an employee or agent of the town and charge the cost thereof to such owner, tenant or agent in charge, together with 5% additional for inspection and other incidentals.

Section 3. In the event that the weeds on any lot, block, parcel of ground or along the sidewalk adjoining the same, or the alley behind the same, are cut by direction of the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 2 of this ordinance, the whole cost of cutting such weeds, together with 5% for inspection and other incidentals shall be paid to the Town Clerk within 30 days after mailing by the Town Clerk to the owner of such lot, block or parcel of ground, by certified mail, notice of the assessment of such cost, which said notice shall also designate a time and place when the Board of Trustees will hear any objections as to the correctness of the amount so assessed. If such assessment is not paid within 10 days after the time fixed for the hearing of such objections, and unless the same are sustained, the Town Clerk shall certify such assessment to the County Treasurer to be placed on the tax list for the current year to be collected in the same manner as other taxes are collected, with 10% penalty to defray the cost of collection, as provided by the laws of the state.

Section 4. The Board of Trustees finds that growing weeds are a fire hazard, and also, that they are a health hazard in that many persons are allergic to weeds and their pollens, and therefore, an emergency exists and in order to promote and protect the health and safety of the citizens of the Town of Sugar City this ordinance shall be in effect 5 days after its final adoption, approval and publication.

Introduced, read in full, passed, adopted, approved and ordered published this 1ST day of NOVEMBER, 1983.

  
Mayor

Attest:

