

ORDINANCE NO. 94

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING WEEDS AND GRASS OVER ONE FOOT IN HEIGHT AND WEEDS WHICH HAVE GONE TO SEED OR GROWING IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK MILLS TO BE A NUISANCE, AND PROVIDING A METHOD FOR THE REMOVAL THEREOF.

The Council of the City of New York Mills does ordain:

Section 1. The word "weeds" as used in this Ordinance shall be constructed to mean and include not only such noxious weeds as are numerated in Chapter 18.171 of the General Statutes of the State of Minnesota for the year 1965, but also such useless and troublesome plant as are commonly known as weeds to the general public. The word "weeds" shall also be constructed to mean all rank vegetable growth which exhales unpleasant or noxious odors, and also high and rank vegetable growth that may conceal filthy deposits.

Section 2. Any weeds or grass growing upon any lot or parcel of land in the City of New York Mills to a greater height than one foot or which have gone or are about to go to seed, are hereby declared to be a nuisance and dangerous to the health safety and good order of the City.

Section 3. When any conditions exist on any lot or parcel of land in the City of New York Mills violative of the provisions hereof, it shall be the duty of the City Clerk to serve a notice on the owner, occupant or agent of such lot or parcel of land, ordering such owner or agent to have such weeds or grass cut and removed within ten days after the service thereof, and also stating that in case of non-compliance, the same will be done by the City Clerk at the owner's expense.

Section 4. Upon failure of the owner, occupant or agent to comply with the provisions of said notice, and after the expiration of ten (10) days, the said City Clerk shall proceed to have cut and removed such weeds or grass, and determine the cost thereof and charge the owner of the premises therewith, and shall, not later than the first day of December of each year, certify to the County Auditor, the amount so charged against said premises, lots or parcels of land, together with a description of the premises and the name of the supposed owner, and such charge shall be collected and collection enforced in the same manner as taxes against said premises. Such charge shall be a perpetual lien on said premises until paid; provided, further, that where no owner, occupant or agent can be found, or when unknown, then said City Clerk may proceed without the service of said notice.

Passed and adopted this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1993.

ATTEST:

(s) Wayne Mattson  
City Clerk

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Mayor