

ORDINANCE 15-07

**An Ordinance Requiring High Grass,
Weeds and Other Wild and Noxious Vegetation
Be Controlled and Declaring an Emergency**

Whereas, the growth of weeds and wild vegetation and the overgrowth of grass tends to the breeding of mosquitoes and perpetuates other disease carrying insects and rodents;

Whereas, such insects and rodents are dangerous to the health and welfare of a closely built up residential community;

Whereas, grass, weeds and other vegetation that is not cut and controlled can be unsightly and a nuisance to neighbors;

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained by said Council of the Village of South Point, Ohio, that:

Section 1: That all owners and persons in control of property within the borders of the Village of South Point in or next to residential areas, shall not allow the grass, weeds, wild and noxious vegetation to exceed a height of eight (8") inches.

Section 2: That all owners and persons in control of commercial or industrial property within the borders of the Village of South Point shall not allow the grass, weeds, wild and noxious vegetation to exceed a height of twelve (12") inches.

Section 3: Wetlands within the corporation limits of the Village of South Point are exempt from this ordinance.

Section 4: Upon a complaint of high vegetation from a Village resident to the Mayor's office, or observation of such by a Village official, a letter shall be sent to the property owner, and person(s) in control of the property, to cut the vegetation on the property to the required height within seven (7) days of notification.

Section 5: If the property owner, or person in control, fails to cut the vegetation within the time limit and to the proper height, the Village shall cut or hire someone to cut the property to the specified height. The cost of cutting the vegetation shall be billed to the property owner. If the mowing invoice is not paid within thirty (30) days from due date, the bill will be considered delinquent and placed on the property tax parcel as a lien on the property.

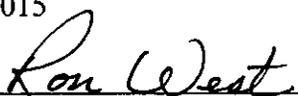
Section 6: A property owner and occupant of property that fails to cut the grass, weeds or vegetation within the time set forth herein, after notice is sent to the occupant's residence and address of owner on the property taxes, is guilty of violating this Ordinance and may be subject to a fine of up to One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

Section 7: This penalty may be in addition to the property owner being charged with the cost of removal.

Section 8: Any ordinances or legislation, including Ordinances 82-10 and 13-07 in conflict with this Ordinance, are hereby null and void.

Section 9: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure for the peace, health and welfare of the residents of the Village of South Point, Ohio, and shall be in effect the earliest prior allowed by law.

Adopted this 7th day of July, 2015


Ron West, Mayor

Attest: 
Scott Thomas, Clerk