

ORDINANCE NO. 193

AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE ALL PROPERTY OWNERS TO CUT GRASS AND WEEDS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF HAYTI, SOUTH DAKOTA:

Section 1.; LIMITS IN WHICH NOT PERMITTED TO GROW.

It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of any lot or parcel of land within the Town of Hayti to grow or suffer or allow to grow during the months of June, July, August and September of each year on such lot or parcel of land any of the vegetation described in this Ordinance.

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Section 2.: TOWN MAY DESTROY AND ASSESS COST.

It shall be the duty of the owner or occupant of any lot or parcel of land in said Town of Hayti to keep the same free from such vegetation as is described in this ordinance during said months, and if such owner or occupant shall fail to keep such property free and clear from such vegetation, the Superintendent of streets of said Town shall notify such owner or occupant to remove and destroy such vegetation within twenty-four hours from the time of such notice.

Such notice may be given personally by delivering written notice to such owner or occupant, or it may be given generally by one publication in the official newspaper of said Town, and it shall not be necessary to describe any particular lot or parcel of land or name any owner or occupant, but shall notify any and all owners and occupants of such lots and parcels of land if such vegetation is not removed within the time specified in such notices by such owner or occupant, it will be removed by said Town and the cost and expense thereof assessed as a special assessment against each lot and parcel of land upon which it is so removed or destroyed.

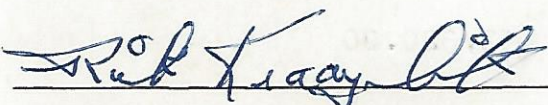
Section 3.: DUTY OF SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS TO DESTROY.  
If such owner or occupant shall fail or refuse to so remove or destroy such vegetation after such notice shall be given as herein provided, it shall be and it is hereby made the duty of said Superintendent of Streets as such to promptly on expiration of said time, proceed to remove and destroy such vegetation.

Section 4.: COST TO BE ASSESSED AGAINST PROPERTY.  
The said Superintendent of Streets shall keep a true and correct account against each and every lot and parcel of land for the cost and expense of removing and destroying such vegetation thereon as herein provided, and shall, on or before the 15th day of October of each year, certify and return the same to the Town Finance Officer of said Town and there upon said Town Finance Officer shall prepare an assessment roll of said cost and expense and file the same in his office, and shall thereupon present the same to said Town Board, and certify such special assessment, together with the regular assessment, to the county auditor to be collected as municipal taxes for general purposes. Such assessment shall be subject to review and equalization the same as assessments for taxes for general purposes.

Section 5.: WEED AND GRASS TO BE CUT  
Every person, corporation and owner or occupant of real estate in the Town of Hayti shall cut down and keep cut all weeds, such as Russian Thistle, Canadian Thistle, ragweed, dandelions and all grasses and vegetation of every kind that shall grow upon such premises or along the streets, avenues or alleys adjacent to said premises occupied by them.

Section 6.: SETTING COST AND DEADLINE  
The Board may by resolution set charges for such work to be done by the Superintendent of Streets and also the deadline for first cutting of grasses and weeds.

Section 7.: SUIT FOR COLLECTION OF COSTS  
In lieu of the procedure prescribed in section 4, the costs incurred by the Town under this ordinance may, in the discretion of the Town Board, be recovered in a civil action against the owner or occupant of the property.

  
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Rick Kraayenbrink, Chairman

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