

## WEED CONTROL ORDINANCE

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Vernon that from and after the inactment of this ordinance:

Section 1: It shall be unlawful for an owner of real property in the Town of Vernon to permit said real estate or any part thereof to become covered with an excessive growth of weeds, brush or vegetation of any sort or to permit rubbish, trash, debris, dilapidated buildings or any other condition of like nature to remain on said real estate.

Section 2: Whenever in the opinion of a majority of the Town Council of the Town of Vernon such a condition exists on any piece of real estate within the Town of Vernon, the Town Council shall on resolution duly passed issue a notice directed to the property owner and to be delivered by the Town Marshal of the Town of Vernon, describing the condition of which the Town Council complains and advising the owner of the property that unless said condition is corrected within ten (10) days, the condition will be corrected at the expense of the property owner.

Section 3: In the event the property owner fails, refuses or neglects to correct any such condition after receiving a notice as provided above, the Town Council shall without further notice to the property owner correct the condition at the expense of the Town, and the expenses of correcting such condition shall be a lien against the property.

Section 4: Notice of intention to hold a lien against the property shall be filed in the Office of the Recorder of Jennings County, and such notice shall constitute a lien against the real estate for a period of five (5) years from the date said notice of lien is filed, provided however, that such notice must be filed within thirty (30) days after the work is completed. The foreclosure of any such lien shall be brought by suit in the Circuit

Court of Jennings County, and the property owner shall pay a reasonable fee to any attorney employed by the Town of Vernon to secure the foreclosure of said lien. The attorney fee shall in no event be less than Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00).

Section 5: The failure of any person to correct any condition prohibited by this ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof any person found guilty of violating this ordinance shall be fined in any sum not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

Passed by the Town Council this 3rd day of October, 1958.

*Mark H. Riser*

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Mayor of Town of Vernon

Attest:

*Francis J. Jurett*  
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Clerk-Treasurer of Town of Vernon

