

VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE

ORDINANCE NO. 332

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS
FOR MAINTENANCE OF LAWNS LOCATED
WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE, OHIO

WHEREAS, the Village of OTTOVILLE is in need of providing regulations for the maintenance of property located within the Village, and

WHEREAS, regulating the maintenance of property located within the Village is necessary for the health and welfare of this Village, now therefore,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF OTTOVILLE, OHIO, OR THREE-FOURTHS OF ITS MEMBERS CONCURRING, THAT:

SECTION 1. Any person owning or having charge of land within the Village, shall keep such property free and clear from all noxious weeds and rank vegetation and shall be required to cut all such noxious weeds, vegetation and grass on the lots owned or controlled by them at least once per month beginning May 1 and ending November 1.

SECTION 2. In addition to the specified times of cutting weeds, vegetation, or grass in residential and commercial areas, said weeds, vegetation, and grass shall be cut whenever it reaches a height of 8 inches.

SECTION 3. In the event a property owner does not comply with this ordinance, they shall receive a written warning from the Village, indicating the violation of this ordinance and the penalties for said violation. Upon the sending of the written warning, the property owners **shall** be deemed to be on notice for the remainder of the cutting season. No additional notice shall be needed from the Village in order to enforce this ordinance.

SECTION 4. In the event the property owner does not comply with the ordinance within five (5) days from the date of the sending or giving of notice, the property owner will be subject to a fine of \$50.00. Subsequent to fulfilling the notice requirements herein, the Village may proceed, at its option, to take such steps as are necessary to properly maintain the subject lawn. These steps may include mowing and trimming the lawn, spraying for weeds, and any other maintenance as is determined necessary and proper by the Village. In the event the Village provides the lawn maintenance, it shall be entitled to charge the property owner twice the actual cost of maintaining the property. The Village shall send an invoice for the services so rendered.

In the event the invoice is not paid within 15 days of issuance, the costs may be assessed to the property owners taxes.

SECTION 5. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency, in that it impacts the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village of Ottoville.

Date Passed: 6/23/03

ATTEST:

Jeannette M. Wannemacher
Clerk-Treasurer, Village of Ottoville

APPROVED:

Judy M. Wannemacher
Mayor, Village of Ottoville