

MONROE TOWNSHIP
SNYDER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 3 1987-

AN ORDINANCE OF MONROE TOWNSHIP, SNYDER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RELATING TO GRASS, WEEDS, AND OTHER VEGETATION IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS, REQUIRING THE REMOVAL, TRIMMING, OR CUTTING THEREOF BY THE OWNER OF THE PREMISES THAT THE SAME IS GROWING, UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, OR BY THE TOWNSHIP AFTER NOTICE TO THE OWNER, AND, IN HIS DEFAULT, COLLECT THE COSTS OF SUCH REMOVAL AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION.

The Township of Monroe hereby ordains as follows:

SECTION ONE: No person, firm or corporation, owning any property in any residential area and the Township of Monroe shall permit any grass, weeds or any vegetation whatsoever not edible or planted for some use for ornamental purpose, to grow or remain on such premises so as to exceed the height of twelve (12) inches. Any grass, weeds or other vegetation growing upon any premises in the residential area of Monroe Township and in violation of any provision of this Section is declared to be a public nuisance.

SECTION TWO: Residential area shall mean any area of Monroe Township wherein the number of dwelling units within any radius of Two Hundred (200) Feet shall exceed two in number.

SECTION THREE: The owner of any premises, as to vacant premises or premises occupied by the owner or occupied by other than the owner thereof, shall remove, trim or cut all grass, weeds or other vegetation growing or remaining on such premises or be in violation of the provisions of Section one of this Ordinance.

SECTION FOUR: The Monroe Township Supervisors, or any officer or employee of the Township designated by the Supervisors for the purpose, is hereby authorized to give Notice either by personal service or by ordinary mail to the owner of any premises whereon grass, weeds or any other vegetation is growing or remaining in violation of the provisions of Section One of this Ordinance, directing and requiring such owner to remove, trim or cut such grass, weeds or other vegetation, so as to conform to the requirements of this Ordinance within ten (10) days after issuance of such notice. In case any person, firm or corporation shall neglect, fail or refuse to comply with such notice, within the period of time stated therein, the Township Supervisors may arrange for the removal, trimming or cutting of such grass, weeds or vegetation, and the cost thereof, together with any additional penalty authorized by this Ordinance, may be collected by the Township from such person, firm or corporation as provided by the Second Class Township Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

SECTION FIVE: Any person, firm or corporation who or which violator shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars and costs of prosecution. PROVIDED each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense and notice to the offender shall not be necessary in order to constitute an offense.

SECTION SIX: All Ordinances, inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION SEVEN: Should any Section of this Ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

SECTION EIGHT: This Ordinance shall become effective January 11, 1987.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 5th day of January, 1987.

ATTEST:

Anna A. Siminski
Secretary



MONROE TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BY: *Lee A. Shaffer*
Supervisor

BY: *Bob L. Bailey*
Supervisor

BY: *Eugene R. Paige*
Supervisor