

**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO.3-47
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
VIGO COUNTY, INDIANA**

WEED AND VEGETATION CONTROL ORDINANCE

The "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" is hereby amended as follows:

Paragraph 3 subsection A (1) of the "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" will be replaced with the following Subsections:

Vegetation, trees or woody growth on private or governmental property which is abandoned, neglected, disregarded or not cut, mowed or otherwise removed and which has attained a height of Eight (8) inches or more.

Paragraph 3 subsection B of the "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" will be replaced with:

All weeds or other rank vegetation growing on parcels of real estate in unincorporated residential areas in Vigo County, and allowed to grow in excess of Eight (8) inches in height are hereby declared to be an environmental public nuisance.

ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF April, 2018


VIGO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Judith A. Anderson


Jon Marvel


Brad Anderson

Attest:


James Bramble, Auditor



Vigo County Building Inspection

151 Oak Street, Terre Haute, Indiana 47807

Telephone: (812) 462-3365

Fax: (812) 231-5602

NOTICE OF CONTINUOUS ABATEMENT

To: Property owner of: _____

Tall grass, weeds, or rank vegetation exist on your property in violation of Vigo County Ordinance Chapter 47. **This violation must be corrected within (10) days of this notice.** Failure to correct this violation will result in the Vigo County abating the violation and assessing the cost of such abatement to the property owner. It is the property owner's responsibility to maintain the property in a manner so that the grass does not reach a height of more than (8) inches. You will not receive additional notices for future violations**. Each time the County determines the property to be in violation hereafter, the County will enter onto the property and correct the violation and the property owner will be invoiced. Invoices not paid within (10) days after receipt of notification will be sent to the Vigo County Auditor and shall be placed as a lien on the property taxes.

Inspecting Officer

Date

** This abatement notice is in effect until December 31, 2018

Paul Mason ~ Building Commissioner

Ted Collins ~ Building Inspector

Dale Sowards ~ County Code Enforcement

Brenda Bird ~ Office Manager

NOTICE OF CONTINUOUS ABATEMENT

TO: Property Owner of _____

Tall grass, weeds, or rank vegetation exist on your property in violation of *Terre Haute City Code Sec. 6-170*. **This violation must be removed within ten (10) days of this Notice.** Failure to remove the nuisance will result in the City abating the violation and assessing the cost of such abatement to the property owner. It is the property owner's responsibility to maintain the property in a manner that the grass does not reach a height of more than eight inches (8"). You will not receive additional notices for future violations**. Each time the City determines this property to be in violation hereafter, the City will remove the nuisance and the property owner will be invoiced. Invoices not paid within thirty (30) days will be certified to the Vigo County Auditor and shall be collected as delinquent taxes are collected.



CITY OF TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA
POLICE DEPARTMENT
Environmental Protection Division
1211 Wabash Avenue
Terre Haute, IN 47807-3331
(812) 244-2530

Name & Badge No.

DATE

***This abatement notice is in effect until December 31, 2016*

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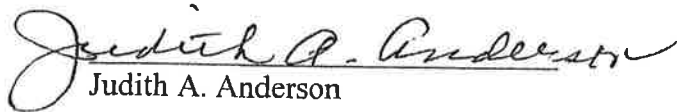
Paragraph 10 subsection A of the "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" will be replaced with the following subsections:


- A. The Actual Cost for the cutting and removal of such weeds or other rank vegetation under Section A shall be as follows:
 - (1) For all parcels up to and including one-half (1/2) acre, the cost of the cutting and removal of weeds or other rank vegetation shall be Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00).
 - (2) For all parcels larger then one-half (1/2) acre, the cost of the cutting and removal of weeds or other rank vegetation shall be Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).

- B. After the cutting and removal of weeds or other rank vegetation the Vigo County Auditor shall make a certified statement of the costs incurred by the County for the cutting and removal of weeds or other rank vegetation under the provisions of Section 8. Such statement shall be delivered to such landowner by a law enforcement officer of the County, or by registered mail, and the landowner shall pay such amount to the Vigo County Auditor. If the landowner fails to pay such amount within ten (10) days after service being served with such statement, a certified copy of such statement shall be filed in the Office of the Vigo County Auditor and the Vigo County Auditor shall place the amount claimed on the tax duplicate against the property affected by such work, and such amount shall be collected as taxes are collected and shall be disbursed to a special non-reverting fund in Vigo County.

ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF August, 2010

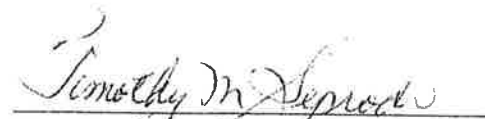
**VIGO COUNTY BOARD
OF COMMISSIONERS**


Judith A. Anderson


Mike Ciolli


Paul E. Mason

ATTEST:


Timothy Seprodi, Auditor

**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 47
VIGO COUNTY CODE
CHAPTER 3**

AN AMENDMENT TO THE "WEED AND VEGETATION CONTROL ORDINANCE"

Adopted the 17 day of June, 2008, after passage
and publication as required by law

The "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" is hereby amended as follows:

Paragraph 4 subsection A of the "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" will be replaced with the following paragraph:

A residential area shall be any parcel of real estate, which is not being used for agricultural purposes.

Paragraph 6 subsection A of the "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" will be replaced with the following paragraph:

If weeds or other rank vegetation are found to be growing in violation of the provisions of this ordinance by the Vigo County Building Inspection Department on behalf of the Vigo County Board of Commissioners, the Building Inspectors Office shall give written notice to the landowner upon whose property such weeds or other rank vegetation are growing, stating that such landowner is required to cut and remove such weeds or other rank vegetation growing on such property within five (5) days from the date of service of such notice. Such notice shall refer to this ordinance and shall also state that if such landowner does not comply with the requirements of such notice, the Board of Commissioners, by and through the Vigo County Department of Building Inspections, may cause such weeds or other rank vegetation to be cut and removed and the actual cost thereof incurred by the County shall be paid within ten (10) days after the landowner has been served with a statement of the cost thereof, The Vigo County Auditor shall place the amount claimed on the tax duplicate against such property affected by the work, and the amount shall be collected as taxes are collected.

Paragraph 7 subsection A of the "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance" will be replaced with the following paragraph:

The notice require to be give under Section 6 above shall be served upon the landowner by a law enforcement officer of Vigo County if the landowner is a resident of said property, if the landowner is a non resident thereof then by

VIGO COUNTY CODE

CHAPTER 47

WEED AND VEGETATION CONTROL ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, weeds or other rank vegetation, when allowed to grow uncontrolled in unincorporated residential areas of Vigo County are unsightly, detrimental to property values and a hazard to health; and

WHEREAS, Indiana Code 36 - 7 - 10.1 allows for the legislative body of a county to pass an ordinance requiring owners of real property located in unincorporated areas of their county to cut and remove weeds and other rank vegetation growing on said property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF VIGO COUNTY, INDIANA, AS FOLLOWS:

3 - 47 - 1 . TITLE

A. This Ordinance and all ordinances supplemental or amendatory thereto shall be known as the "Weed and Vegetation Control Ordinance".

3 - 47 - 2 . PURPOSE

A. The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate and control the growth and require the cutting and removal of weeds or other rank vegetation on all parcels of real estate in unincorporated residential areas of Vigo County.

3 - 47 - 3 . Declaration of an Environmental Public Nuisance

A. Weeds or other rank vegetation include but are not limited to:

(1) ~~Vegetation, trees or woody growth on private or governmental property which is abandoned, neglected, disregarded or not cut, mowed or otherwise removed and which has attained a height of twelve (12) inches or more.~~

(2) Vegetation, trees or woody growth on private property which, due to its proximity to any governmental property, right-of-way or easement, interferes with public safety or lawful use of the governmental property right-of-way or easement.

B. ~~All weeds or other rank vegetation growing on parcels of~~

requirements of this ordinance within the time specified, the Board of Commissioners may cause such weeds or other rank vegetation to be cut and removed.

3 - 47 - 9 . APPEAL

A. The landowner may appeal an order to remove weeds or other rank vegetation found growing on his property, he shall have five (5) days from the date of service of such notice upon him to appeal, in writing, to the Board of Commissioners requesting a hearing.

B. The Board of Commissioners shall conduct a hearing within ten (10) days of the date of receipt of such appeal.

3 - 47 - 10 . COLLECTION OF COSTS

A. The Vigo County Auditor shall make a certified statement of the actual cost incurred by the County for the cutting and removal of such weeds or other rank vegetation under the provisions of Section 8 above. Such statement shall be delivered to such landowner by a law enforcement officer of the County, or by registered mail, and the landowner shall pay such amount to the Vigo County Auditor. If the landowner fails to pay such amount within ten (10) days after service being served with such statement, a certified copy of such statement shall be filed in the Office of the Vigo County Auditor and the Vigo County Auditor shall place the amount claimed on the tax duplicate against the property affected by such work, and such amount shall be collected as taxes are collected and shall be disbursed to a special non-reverting fund in Vigo County.

3 - 47 - 11 . SEVERABILITY

A. If any part of this ordinance shall be held invalid, such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not effect the remaining parts of this ordinance.

3 - 47 - 12 . EFFECTIVE DATE

A. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and adoption by the Board of Commissioners.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF VIGO COUNTY, INDIANA, on this 26 day of August, 1991.


James E. Adams, President