VILLAGE OF CUSTER MASON COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 27-119 LAWN CARE ORDINANCE

THE VILLAGE OF CUSTER ORDAINS:

Height Limit

It shall be unlawful for anyone to permit weeds, grass or plants, other than trees, bushes, flowers, or other ornamental or vegetable plants to grow to a height exceeding six (6) inches anywhere in the city; and such plants, grasses or weeds exceeding such height are hereby declared to be a nuisance.

Notice to Abate

It shall be the duty of the Village Council President and/or Code Enforcement Officer to serve or cause to be served one notice per year upon the owner or occupant of any premises on which weeds, plants or grasses are permitted to grow in violation of the provisions of this subchapter and to demand the abatement of the nuisance.

Abatement by Village

If the person so served does not abate the nuisance within five (5) days of the first notice or if the person subsequently fails to maintain the property in accordance with this ordnance the Village will proceed to abate such nuisance(s), keeping an account of the expenses of the abatement(s), and such expenses plus 25% overhead/administrative fee shall be charged and paid by such owner or occupant.

Collection of Costs

Charges for such abatement(s) shall be a lien upon the premises. Whenever a bill for such charges remains unpaid for 60 days after it has been rendered the Village Clerk shall notify the Village Board of Trustees, and upon such notice the Board of Trustees shall, by resolution, assess the charge against the property to which the bill is rendered. For the purpose of collection of such assessments, the adoption of such assessment shall be equivalent to the confirmation of a special assessment roll. The amount of such assessment shall become a debt to the Village upon adoption of such resolution, be due at such time as the Board of Trustees shall prescribe and shall be subject to a collection fee of \$25 and become a lien of the same character and effect as created by the Village charter for village taxes.

DATE INTRODUCED: 10/5/09 DATE ADOPTED: 11/2/09

EFFECTIVE DATE: 12/2/09

It was moved by Trustee BACON to adopt Ordinance NO. Seconded by Trustee REINOEHL.

Vote: Yes: 5 No: 0 Absent: 1

Attested by order of the Village of Custer.

Margaret Griswold, Village Clerk