

# Village of Arpin, Wood County, Wisconsin

## Ordinance #55

### AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE GRASS / WEED CONTROL WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF ARPIN, WOOD COUNTY WISCONSIN

The Village Board of the Village of Arpin, Wood County, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

#### *Section 1 – **Applicability:***

It shall be the duty of every owner, possessor or occupier of an improved or improvable piece of property within the Village of Arpin, or of every person having charge of any such lands, to cut or cause to be cut or otherwise destroy all grass, noxious weeds, nuisance weeds or any other growth on such lands as may be detrimental to the health and safety of the citizens of the community. This cutting or destruction of such growth shall be done as often as may be necessary to prevent said growth from blooming or growing to a height of more than twelve (12) inches.

In case the owner, possessor or occupier of land, or the person in charge thereof, shall refuse or neglect to comply with the provisions of this Section, it shall be the duty of the Village Board to cause such growths to be cut down, charging the cost thereof to each piece of land, describing the same and upon non-payment of such charges, the amounts due shall be filed with the Village Treasurer who shall enter the amount chargeable to each tract of land in the next tax roll as a tax on the lands upon which such weeds and grass were cut, and shall be collected as all other taxes.

#### *Section 2 – **Penal Provisions:***

It shall be unlawful to permit within the Village of Arpin, Wood County, Wisconsin, the pollination of any grasses or weeds, which cause or produce hay fever in human beings. In order to prevent such pollination and no weeds of any kind shall be permitted to grow or stand more than one foot high on any premises in the Village.

#### *Section 3 – **Penalties:***

Village of Arpin Board hereby authorizes the Village Treasurer to bill property owners a minimum of \$75.00 for each cutting. The rate for cutting by Village employees will be \$75.00 per man hour or the Village will hire a private contractor to perform the work in which instance the total cost thereof shall be reported to the Village Clerk/Treasurer. Said bills will be mailed upon completion of mow. If payment is not received within 15 days

**Section 3 – Penalties (cont.):**

an additional \$100 fine shall be imposed, 15 days after that, a \$50 fine and it shall remain at \$50 for each 15 days after that. If payment is not received prior to November 1 of each year, the clerk will spread the same as a special tax, on the tax roll, against the property owners for who service was rendered.

If the land requiring such cutting is so irregular in terrain or irregular by virtue of debris thereon, that cutting would damage equipment, the complete cost (parts, labor, etc) of damages sustained while cutting shall be the responsibility of the land owner, renter or controller (at \$75.00 per man hour or fraction thereof, with a minimum charge of \$75.00). Costs not paid shall be included in the tax roll of the land owner.

**Section 4– Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances:**


All ordinances regulating the control of noxious weeds within the Village of Arpin, Wood County, Wisconsin, and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance heretofore enacted by the Village Board of the Village of Arpin, Wood County, Wisconsin are hereby repealed.

**Section 5– Effective Date:**


This ordinance shall take effect and be in force after passage and publication as provided by law.

Passed 10/14/09

Posted 11/2/09

  
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John Esser  
Village President

10-15-09  
Date Signed

  
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Tammi S. Pernsteiner  
Clerk/Treasurer

10/15/09  
Date Signed