

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF HURON  
VILLAGE OF PORT AUSTIN**

**ORDINANCE NO. 65  
WEED CONTROL.**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE CUTTING OF  
TALL GRASSES, PLANTS, AND WEEDS.**

**THE VILLAGE OF PORT AUSTIN ORDAINS:**

**Section 1. Weed Growth Prohibited.**

No person occupying any premises, and no person owning any unoccupied premises shall permit or maintain on any such premises any growth of noxious weeds; nor any growth of grass or other rank vegetation to a greater height than ten (10) inches on the average, nor any accumulation of dead weeds, grass or brush. "Noxious weeds" shall include Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense*), dodders (any species of *Cuscuta*), mustards (charlock, black mustard and Indian mustard, species of *Brassica* or *Sinapis*), wild carrot (*Daucus carota*, bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*), perennial sowthistle (*Sonchus arvensis*), hoary alyssum (*Berteroa incana*), rag weed (*ambrosia elatior* 1.) and poison ivy (*rhus toxicodendron*, poison sumac (*toxicondemdron vernix*).

**Section 2. Duty of Occupant or Owner.**

It shall be the duty of the occupant of every premises and the owner of unoccupied premises within the Village, to cut and remove or destroy by lawful means all such noxious weeds and grass, before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June in each year, and again on or before the first day of September of the same year, and as much oftener as may be necessary to comply with Section 1.

**Section 3. Cutting by Village.**

If any person shall fail to comply with the provisions of Section 2 by the specified time, the Village Clerk shall, through the Department of Public Works, cause all such grass and noxious weeds to be cut or destroyed upon lands of the person not complying with the provisions hereof. The Superintendent of the Department shall keep an accurate account of all expense incurred with respect to each parcel of land entered upon in carrying out the provisions of this Ordinance and shall make a sworn statement of said account and present the same to the Village Clerk.

**Section 4. Collection from Owner.**

A copy of said sworn statement including an account of the costs incurred on each of the several descriptions or parcels of property, shall be transmitted to the Village Treasurer. The Village Treasurer shall add to all said accounts ten (10%) percent of the amount of all such expenditures to cover the costs of publication, overhead and other expense, and collect the total amount. Said amount shall be billed to the landowner and shall be a lien upon the premises until paid. Wherever a bill for such charges shall remain unpaid for a period of sixty (60) days after the abatement has been rendered, the Village council shall, by resolution, certify said charges against the property to which the bill is rendered to the Village Treasurer and it shall be the duty of the Village Treasurer, upon certification of the Village Council, to

assess daid charges against the property and said charges so assess shall be due and payable with the following statement for taxes to the Village of Port Austin.

**Section 5. Notice of Requirements.**

The Village Clerk shall on or before the fifteenth of June of each year give notice of the requirements and provision of Sections 1 through 4 by publishing a notice thereof one a week for two (2) consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Village

**Section 6. Repeal.**

All Village Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Section 7. Effective Date.**

The Ordinance shall be come effective on August 8, 1986

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Village of Port Austin Council at a meeting thereof duly called and held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1986.

Dated: July 8, 1986

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KAY F. GORDON  
Port Austin Village Clerk

Dated: July 8, 1986

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EDWIN KORN, JR.  
Port Austin Village President