

ORDINANCE NO. 10

(Enacted March 8, 1982)

AN ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO  
NOXIOUS WEEDS AND THEIR REMOVAL

The Village of Dansville ordains:

SECTION 1. All noxious weeds, on both public and private lands, are hereby declared to be a nuisance. It shall be unlawful to permit any noxious weeds to remain in the Village.

SECTION 2. For the purpose of this Ordinance "noxious weeds" shall include Canada Thistle (*Cirsium Arvense*), Dodders (any species of *Cuscuta*), Mustards (Charlock, Black Mustard and Indian Mustard, species of *Brassica* and *Simapis*), Wild Carrot (*Daucus Carota*), Bindweed (*Convolvulus Arvensis*), Perennial Sowthistle (*Sonchus Arvensis*), Hoary Alyssum (*Berteroa Incana*), Ragweed (*Ambrosia Elatior*), and Poison Ivy (*Rhus Toxicodendron*), Poison Sumac (*Toxicodendron Vernix*) or other plants which in the opinion of the Village Council are regarded as a common nuisance.

SECTION 3. The street commissioner of the Village is hereby appointed the commissioner of noxious weeds and is authorized to inspect and examine any weeds in the Village to determine whether or not they are noxious. Upon discovering that any such weeds are noxious, the commissioner shall notify the owner or occupant of the premises by certified mail, return receipt requested.

SECTION 4. It shall be the duty of the owner or occupant of any land upon which such noxious weeds exist to have the same cut or eradicated within ten (10) days of notice by the commissioner. Thereafter it shall be the duty of the commissioner to eradicate or cut all noxious weeds from land owned by the Village of Dansville.

SECTION 5. Where the owner or occupant of the premises concerned does not properly cut or eradicate noxious weeds within ten (10) days after notice, or where the owner or occupant of the premises cannot be located, the commissioner is hereby authorized to enter the property and cut or eradicate the noxious weeds. Any expense incurred in such destruction shall be paid by the owner or owners of said property and in the event of non-payment thereof the Village of Dansville shall have a lien against said property for such expense, which lien shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law for the enforcement of mechanics' liens.

SECTION 6. Any person violating any provisions of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not more than Five Hundred (\$500) Dollars for each offense; and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day noxious weeds remain on the premises more than ten (10) days after notice has been given in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance. Said fine when collected is to be paid to the commissioner and shall become a part of the "noxious weed control fund" of the Village of Dansville.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance is enacted under the authority of Act 66 of the Public Acts of 1919, as amended, being Sections 9.631(1) et. seq. M.S.A.

SECTION 8. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days from date of enactment.

SECTION 9. In lieu of the notice required in Section 3, the commissioner is authorized to instruct the Village Clerk to publish a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the Village during the month of May that weeds not cut by June, July and August of that year will be cut by the Village of Dansville and the owner of the property charged with the cost under the provisions of Section 5.

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of Ordinance No. 10 duly adopted by the Council of the Village of Dansville, Ingham County, Michigan on March 8, 1982, and that the same was published in accordance with Section 4 of Act 3, P.A. 1895 in The Ingham County News on April 1, 1982.

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