

Chapter 83, BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs 10-19-1931 by Ord. No. 125A (Ch. 30 of the 1973 Code); amended in its entirety 6-25-1973. Subsequent amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Garbage, rubbish and refuse -- See Ch. 146.

Littering -- See Ch. 162.

Nuisances -- See Ch. 178.

Property maintenance -- See Ch. 193.

§ 83-1. Superintendent of Public Works to be notified. [Amended 7-10-2000 by Ord. No. 599]

If, upon the recommendation of the Chief of Police or the Fire Inspector or Health Officer of the Borough of Laurel Springs, as necessary and expedient for the preservation of public health, safety, general welfare or to eliminate fire hazards, it is required that brush, weeds, including ragweed, dead and dying trees, stumps, roots and obnoxious growth should be destroyed or removed from any lands in the Borough, said public official shall immediately upon said determination notify the Superintendent of Public Works of the Borough of Laurel Springs.

§ 83-2. Notice to owner. [Amended 7-10-2000 by Ord. No. 599]

The Superintendent of Public Works, upon notification of such condition by the Chief of Police, Fire Inspector or Health Officer, shall forthwith notify the owner or occupant of said lands or property (by personal service upon the occupant thereof, or by certified mail upon the owners thereof if said owners are nonresidents) to remove or destroy same within 10 days after service of said notice.

§ 83-3. Noncompliance; action by Borough. [Amended 7-10-2000 by Ord. No. 599]

Where, after notice as provided herein, the removal or destruction is not performed, the Superintendent of Public Works shall arrange to have the brush, weeds, including ragweed, dead or dying trees, stumps, roots and obnoxious growth destroyed or removed from said lands, and the Superintendent of Public Works shall certify the cost thereof to the Mayor and Council.

§ 83-4. Cost of removal; lien.

If the Mayor and Council, upon examination of said certificate, shall find same to be correct, it shall cause the cost of said destruction or removal to be charged against said lands, and the amount so charged shall be forthwith become a lien upon said lands, which charge shall be added to and become and form part of the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon such lands, and such charge shall bear interest at the same rate as taxes and shall be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as taxes.

§ 83-5. Enforcement. [Added 7-10-2000 by Ord. No. 599]

The provisions of this chapter shall be enforced by the Superintendent of Public Works, who shall have the authority to issue summonses for violations of the provisions hereof.

§ 83-6. Violations and penalties.

Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to the penalties provided in Chapter 1, § 1-15. Each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such.