

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

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CITY OF BELPRE
ORDINANCE NO. 9 (2018-19)

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 557 OF THE
CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELPRE**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BELPRE, OHIO, THAT:

SECTION I

Chapter 557 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Belpre,
Ohio, is hereby amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER 557 - NOXIOUS WEEDS

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| 557.01 Noxious weeds defined. | 557.04 Failure to comply. |
| 557.02 Cutting required. | 557.05 Costs certified to |
| 557.03 Notice to cut noxious weeds;
service. | County Auditor. |

CROSS REFERENCES

- Notice to cut noxious weeds - see Ohio R.C. 731.51 et seq.
- Destruction of weeds - see Ohio R.C. 971.33 et seq.
- Noxious weeds - see ORC Chapter 901:5-31

SECTION 557.01 - NOXIOUS WEEDS DEFINED - For purposes
of this Chapter, noxious weeds and vines are listed below:

- (a) Field bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis* L. (Field (B)))
- (b) Quackgrass (*Agropyron repens* L. Beauv.))
- (c) Canadian thistle (*Cirsium arvense* L. (Scop))
- (d) Johnsongrass (*Sorghum halapense* L. (Pers.))
- (e) Hoary cress (*Cardaria draba* L. (Desv.))
- (f) Ballcress (*Hymenophysa pubescens* C.A. Mey.)
- (g) Perennial sowthistle (*Sonchus arvensis* L. Field (S))
- (h) Russian knapweed (*Centaurea Picris* Rydb.)
- (i) Leafy spurge (*Euphorbia esula* L.)
- (j) Dodder (*Cuscuta* spp. (Tourne L.))
- (k) Horsenettle (*Solanum carolinense* L.)
- (l) Corncockle (*Argrostemma githago* L.)
- (m) Wild garlic (*Allium canadense* L.)
- (n) Wild onion (*Allium canadense* L.)
- (o) Curled dock (*Rumex crispus* L.)
- (p) French weed (*Thlaspi arvense* L.)
- (q) Buckhorn (*Plantago lanceolata* L.)
- (r) Burdock
- (s) Yellow dock
- (t) Japanese knotweed

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- (u) Grape vines and other vines infesting trees and shrubs

SECTION 557.02 - GRASS CUTTING AND NOXIOUS WEEDS CONTROL

- (A) Any person owning land or an occupant of land within the City of Belpre shall be required to cut all grass, all noxious and harmful weeds, and all harmful vines on the land owned or occupied by the person.
- (B) For the frequency of cutting all grass, any grass growing upon any lot or parcel of land and exceeding the height of six (6) inches shall be deemed to be a grass that must be cut pursuant to §557.01.
- (C) For the frequency of cutting of and destroying all noxious or poisonous weeds or vines growing upon any lot or parcel of land and exceeding a height of eight (8) inches shall be deemed to be noxious or poisonous weeds and vines pursuant to §557.01.

SECTION 557.03 - NOTICE TO CUT NOXIOUS WEEDS; SERVICE

- (A) An owner or occupant of a lot or parcel of land located within the City of Belpre shall be notified by the Safety-Service Director or his or her designee to immediately cut any noxious or harmful weeds, vines or grass growing upon his or her premises. Such notification shall be in writing, served by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by publication of a legal notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the County. The owner or occupant shall cut such weeds, noxious grass or vines within five (5) days of receipt of the notice, or as requested in Section 557.02 (B) and (C).
- (B) Every notice shall state that if the notice is not completed within the time provided therein, in addition to the penalty provided in this chapter, all costs and administrative expenses provided by the City of Belpre in cutting the noxious weeds, grass or vines shall be entered upon the tax duplicate of the owner and shall be a lien upon such lands.

SECTION 557.04 - FAILURE TO COMPLY

If the owner or person having charge of the land fails to comply with the notice, the Safety-Service Director shall cause the noxious weeds, grass or vines to be cut. All expenses and labor costs incurred shall be paid by the owner or person having charge of the land. If the owner or person fails to pay said expenses, labor costs and administrative expenses, then said expenses and costs of labor shall be

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paid from City funds as appropriated by City Council for said purposes.

SECTION 557.05 - COSTS CERTIFIED TO COUNTY AUDITOR

The Safety-Service Director shall make a written account to the County Auditor of his actions under Sections 557.01 through 557.05 and a proper description of the premises involved. Such amounts, when allowed, shall be entered upon the tax duplicate of the owner and be a lien upon the lots or land from and after the entry and be collected as other taxes and returned to the General Fund of the City.

SECTION 557.06 - PENALTY

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. each day the noxious weeds, grass or vines have not been cut, after notice under Section 557.03 has been given, shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION II

Existing Chapter 557 of the Codified Ordinances of Belpre, Ohio, is hereby repealed.

SECTION III

This Ordinance shall take effect on the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED: October 8, 2018 _____
PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST: Judith Deane Protem

PRESENTED TO MAYOR: 10/8/18 _____
MAYOR

APPROVED BY MAYOR: 10/8/18

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