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Ordinance No. 21

AN ORDINANCE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH BY REGULATING THE PLANTING AND CARE OF SHADE AND ORNAMENTAL TREES, AND GRASS PLOTS ALONG PUBLIC STREETS AND REQUIRING THE CUTTING AND DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS WEEDS.

The village council of Shelly do ordain as follows:

Section 1. Duty of Street Commissioner. The street commissioner shall have, under the direction of the village council, control and supervision over all trees, <sup>at the</sup> alleys and highways and all grass plots bordering such public streets, alleys and highways. The word "tree" as used herein shall be deemed to include shrubs.

Section 2. Trimming Trees. Whenever the street commissioner shall find that any tree located as aforesaid needs trimming, removal, treatment, or other care in order to preserve the same in good condition or to protect the public from damage or injury, he shall, upon direction of the village council see that the necessary work is done. He shall keep an account of the cost of such work which cost may in the discretion of the council be charged against the abutting property as a special tax.

Section 3. Weed Cutting. It shall be the duty of every owner of property abutting, on any public street or alley to cause the grass and weeds to be kept cut to the center of such platted street or alley and upon his property. If the grass or weeds in such place are twelve inches or more in height it shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.

Section 4. Assessment. It shall be the duty of the street commissioner to cut and destroy all grass and weeds growing within the platted limits of any public street or alley when the same are not cut by the property owners as required by section 8 hereof. It shall likewise be the duty of the street commissioner to keep an accurate account of the cost of such cutting opposite each lot and to certify the same to the council to be specially assessed against the abutting property.

Section 5. Penalty. Any person who shall do any of the things prohibited or fail to do any of the things required to be done by this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Passed the village council this 30th day of November, 1927.

A. Blomson,  
President

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Attest:

A. A. Silver