

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01: 9.09

**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RECREATE SECTION 9.09 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF BAGLEY, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN, RELATING TO WEEDS AND GRASSES**

THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF BAGLEY, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**Section I:** Section 9.09 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Bagley shall be and hereby is repealed and recreated to read as follows:

**9.09 CONTROL OF WEEDS, GRASSES AND PLANTS**

(1) The Village Clerk-Treasurer shall annually on or before May 15<sup>th</sup> publish as required by Wisconsin Statute 66.0407(4) a notice that every person is required by law to destroy all noxious weeds on lands in the Village which he/she owns, occupies or controls.

(2) Noxious Weeds and Rank Growth Prohibited.

(a) No person owning, occupying or controlling property within the Village of Bagley shall permit such property to become overgrown with any weeds, grasses, or plants so as to constitute a public nuisance, as defined in sec. 12.02 of the Municipal Code of the Village of Bagley.

(b) No person owning, occupying or controlling property within the Village of Bagley shall permit the lawn or vegetation on such property to exceed the height of six (6) inches. This shall apply whether the property is occupied or unoccupied.

(c) Noxious weeds are as defined in Wisconsin Statute 66.0407(1) which includes but is not limited to; Canada thistle, leafy spurge, field bindweed or any other such weeds.

(d) Rank growth of vegetation including all weeds, grasses and plants over twelve (12) inches in height excluding trees and shrubs is prohibited.

(3) It shall be the duty of the Director of Public Works or his/her designee to enforce this section and if any person shall fail to comply, the owner or occupant shall be provided with written notice. After a minimum of two (2) days from written notice, should the property not compliant with this section, the Village shall destroy such weeds, mow the lawn, etc in the manner deemed to be the most economical method and the expense thereof, including the cost of billing and other administrative expenses, shall be charged against such lots. Unpaid charges are subject to being placed on the tax roll as a special charge or special tax when applicable. When not applicable to place on the tax roll, the Village will utilize a reasonable method as substitute.

(a) The Village will track time taken to destroy weeds, mow the lawn, etc to bring a property in compliance with this section. The property owner will be charged an hourly rate with a minimum of one (1) hour charged. First offense shall be \$50 per hour, each additional offense shall be \$100 per hour. Offenses reset each calendar year. Should the Village incur any other expenses, including but not limited to damages to Village equipment used, the property owner shall be responsible for reimbursement of those expenses.

Adopted and approved this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025.

  
Chris Traustch, Village President

COUNTERSIGNED:



Shelly Liston, Village Clerk/Treasurer

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