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PART 1

GRASS, WEEDS AND OTHER VEGETATION

§10-101. Definition and Interpretation.

The word “person,” as used in this Part 1, shall mean and include any natural person, partnership, firm or corporation. The singular shall include the plural, the plural shall include the singular, and the masculine shall include the feminine and the neuter.

(Ord. 768, 10/23/1967, §1)

§10-102. Unlawful and a Nuisance Under Certain Circumstances.

No person owning or occupying any property within the Borough of Mechanicsburg shall permit any grass or weeds or any vegetation whatever, not edible or planted for some useful or ornamental purpose, to grow or remain upon such premises so as to exceed a height of six inches or to throw off any unpleasant or noxious odor or to conceal any filthy deposit or to create or produce pollen. Any grass, weeds or other vegetation growing upon any premises in the Borough in violation of any of the provisions of this section is hereby declared to be a nuisance and detrimental to the health, safety, cleanliness and comfort of the inhabitants of the Borough.

(Ord. 768, 10/23/1967, §2)

§10-103. Responsibility for Removing, Trimming or Cutting Grass, Weeds and Other Vegetation.

The owner of any premises, as to vacant premises or premises occupied by the owner of premises containing more than one rental unit, and the occupant of premises comprising a single rental unit shall remove, trim or cut all grass, weeds and other vegetation growing or remaining upon such premises in violation of the provisions of §10-102 of this Part 1.

(Ord. 768, 10/23/1967, §3)

§10-104. Notice to Remove, Cut or Trim; Authority for Borough to Do Work and Collect Cost.

The Borough Council, or any officer or employee of the Borough designated thereby for the purpose, is hereby authorized to give notice, by personal service or by United States mail, to the owner or occupant, as the case may be, of any premises whereon grass, weeds or other vegetation is growing or remaining in violation of any of the provisions of §10-102 of this Part 1, directing and requiring such owner or occupant to remove, trim

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or cut such grass, weeds or other vegetation so as to conform to the requirements of this Part 1 within five days after issuance of such notice. In case any owner or occupant, as the case may be, shall neglect, fail or refuse to comply with such notice within the period of time stated therein, the Borough authorities may remove, trim or cut such grass, weeds or vegetation, and the cost thereof, with an additional amount of 10%, may be collected by the Borough from such owner or occupant in the manner provided by law.

(Ord. 768, 10/23/1967, §4)

§10-105. Penalty.

Any person who shall violate, or fail, neglect or refuse to comply with, any of the provisions of this Part 1, or of any notice given pursuant thereto, for every such violation, shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to a fine not to exceed \$300 and costs or to undergo imprisonment for a term not to exceed 30 days, provided that each day's violation or failure, neglect or refusal to comply shall constitute a separate violation.

(Ord. 768, 10/23/1967, §5)

PART 2

[RESERVED]¹

¹ Editor's Note: Former Part 2, Rat Extermination, as adopted by Ord. 829, 4/17/1973, was repealed by Ord. 1126, 11/15/2011. See now Ch. 5, Code Enforcement, Part 3, Property Maintenance Code.

PART 3

LIQUID AND SEMILIQUID WASTE

§10-301. Unlawful Discharge or Discarding of Liquid or Semiliquid Waste.

From and after the passage of this Part 3, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to dump or discharge any liquid or semiliquid substance in or on any of the streets or alleys in the Borough of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania, so as to constitute a public nuisance or menace to public health. This section shall not be construed to mean the natural drainage of surface water produced by rain or the melting of snow or ice on a building or property.

(Ord. 380, 5/1/1937, §1)

§10-302. Penalty for Violation.

Any person, firm or corporation who or which shall violate any of the provisions of this Part 3 shall, upon conviction thereof before the District Justice, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$300 and costs of prosecution or to imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 30 days.

(Ord. 380, 5/1/1937, §2, as amended by Ord. 748, 10/23/1967, §1; and by Ord. 925, 4/19/1983)