ERIE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 17

ELIMINATION OF BOX ELDER TREES

An Ordinance declaring female box elder trees a public nuisance, providing for the giving of orders for the removal of said trees, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ERIE, MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

SECTION 1.

Female box elder trees are hereby declared to be a public nuisance within the Township of Erie, and it shall be unlawful for any person to maintain the same on his property after notification as herein provided.

SECTION 2.

The Building Inspector of Erie Township is hereby designated as the authority who shall cause the said public nuisance to be abated in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance. The Building Inspector, or such other agents or employees as may be authorized by the Township Board, may enter upon private property to make field inspection, including the removal of specimens for analysis.

SECTION 3.

After inspection of the tree, the Building Inspector may require, by written notice to either the owner or the occupant of the premises whereon said tree is situated the removal of any female box elder tree. Such notice shall specify a reasonable and definite time for compliance with the order, which time shall be not less than ten (10) days from the date of the notice.

SECTION 4.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall fail to comply with the order of the Building Inspector as aforesaid shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not to exceed one hundred (\$100.00) dollars or by imprisonment in the County jail not to exceed ninety (90) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court. Each day that such person, firm or corporation shall fail to comply with the said order after the expiration of the time given therein for compliance shall constitute a separate offense. The provisions of this ordinance may also be enforced by suit for injunction or other appropriate legal remedy.

SECTION 5.

This ordinance is adopted by the Erie Township Board under the authority of Act 32 of the Public Acts of 1962.

SECTION 6.

This ordinance shall become effective forty (40) days after its adoption.

Adopted by unanimous vote of the Erie Township Board this 9th day of December 1964, all members being present and voting thereon.

TOWNSHIP BOARD, ERIE TOWNSHIP, Monroe County, Michigan

By: Larry J. Benore/ SIGNED
Larry J. Benore, Clerk

Attest:

Maurice Rauch, Supervisor