## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE AND NUISANCE ABATEMENT

## II. Nuisances

- 8. Overgrown Grass and Weeds
  - (1) Notwithstanding the generality of section 5, no owner or occupant of land shall cause or permit the land to be overgrown with grass or weeds.
  - (2) For the purpose of this section, "overgrown" means in excess of 20 centimetres in height
  - (3) This section shall not apply to any growth which forms part of a natural garden that has been deliberately planted to produce ground cover, including one or more species of wild flowers, shrubs, perennials, grasses or combinations of them, whether native or non-native, consistent with a managed and natural landscape other than regularly mown grass.
  - (4) No owner or occupant of land shall cause or permit any adjoining boulevards or lanes to be overgrown with grass or weeds.
  - (5) After having been served with an order respecting property overgrown with grass and weeds under this section, no person shall permit or allow lands described in that order to become overgrown with grass and weeds again.
- 9. Untidy and Unsightly Property
  - (1) Notwithstanding the generality of section 5, no person shall cause or permit any land or building to become untidy and unsightly due to the accumulation of new or used lumber, cardboard, paper, newspapers, appliances, tires, cans, barrels, scrap metal or other waste materials or junk.
  - (2) After having been served with an order respecting untidy or unsightly property under this section, no person shall permit or allow lands described in that order to become untidy or unsightly again.
  - (3) No owner of land shall cause or permit any adjoining boulevards or lanes to become untidy and unsightly due to the accumulation of new or used lumber, cardboard, paper, newspapers, appliances, tires, cans, barrels, scrap metal or other waste materials or junk.
- 10. Junked Vehicles
  - (1) Notwithstanding the generality of section 5, no person shall keep a junked vehicle on property in the City of Weyburn.
  - (2) After having been served with an order respecting a junked vehicle under this section, no person shall permit or allow a junked vehicle on lands described in that order.
- 11. Open Excavations
  - (1) Notwithstanding the generality of section 5, no person shall cause or permit any basement, excavation, drain, ditch, watercourse, pond, surface water, swimming pool or other structure to exist in or on any private land or in or about any building or structure which is dangerous to the public safety or health.
- 12. Pet Wastes
  - (1) Pet wastes shall be promptly removed from properties, and disposed of in an acceptable fashion. Pet wastes shall not be allowed to accumulate in an unreasonable fashion.

## **III. Property Maintenance**

- 13. Duty to Maintain
  - (1) All property, including land, buildings and structures, shall be maintained in accordance with the minimum standards prescribed in this Part.
  - (2) No person shall cause or permit the occupancy or use of any property, including land, building or structure, that does not conform to the minimum standards.
  - (3) Notwithstanding section 4, every occupant of a property, including land, buildings and structures, shall;
    - a. Keep in a clean and sanitary condition that part of the property which the occupant occupies or controls;
    - b. Maintain exits to the exterior of the building in a safe and unobstructed condition;
    - c. Keep any supplied fixtures clean and sanitary and exercise reasonable care in their proper use and operation.

## **Division 1 - Maintenance of Yards and Accessory Buildings**

- 14. Application
  - (1) This Division applies to all accessory buildings and yards within the City
- 15. Maintenance of Yards
  - (1) A yard shall be kept free and clean from;
    - a. Garbage and junk;
    - b. Junked vehicles and dismantled machinery
    - c. Excessive growth of weeds or grass;
    - d. Holes and excavations that could cause an accident;
    - e. An infestation of rodents, vermin or insects;
    - f. Dead or hazardous trees; and
    - g. Sharp or dangerous materials
  - (2) A yard shall be graded in such a manner so as to prevent;
    - a. Excessive ponding of water; and
    - b. Excessive dampness accumulating near building or structures.
- 16. Outdoor Storage of Materials
  - (1) Any building materials, lumber, metal boxes or similar items stored in a yard shall be neatly stacked in piles and elevated off the ground so as not to constitute a nuisance or harbourage for rodents, vermin and insects. Materials so stored must be in a quantity and location deemed reasonable and acceptable to the inspector in consideration of the zoning and purpose of the property.
- 17. Refrigerators and Freezers
  - (1) Any refrigerator or freezer left in a yard shall first have its hinges, latches, lid, door or doors removed in order to prevent entrapment within the appliance.
- 18. Walkways, Driveways and Parking Spaces
  - (1) If a walkway, driveway or parking space is provided, it shall be maintained so as to afford safe passage thereon under normal use and weather conditions.
- 19. Waste Disposal
  - Every building shall be provided with a sufficient number of receptacles to contain all waste in accordance with the provisions of the City of Weyburn Refuse Bylaw.

- 20. Accessory Buildings
  - (1) Accessory buildings shall be kept;
    - a. In good repair;
    - b. Free of infestation by rodents, vermin and insects; and
    - c. Free of health, fire and safety hazards
  - (2) Accessory buildings shall be equipped with doors or closures and shall be kept secured so as to prevent unauthorized entry.
- 21. Fences
  - (1) Fences shall be maintained in a safe and reasonable state of repair, appropriate for the neighborhood, as determined by the inspector.