

Amend Section 8.11. MAINTENANCE OF PRIVATE PROPERTY

Subd. 1. It is the primary responsibility of any owner or occupant of any lot or parcel of land to maintain any weeds or grass growing thereon at a height of not more than six inches; to remove all public health or safety hazards therefrom; to install or repair water service lines thereon; and to treat or remove insect-infested or diseased trees thereon.

Subd. 2 if the owner or occupant fails to assume the primary responsibility described in section 1 the police may issue a citation for the violation which is a petty misdemeanor. The fine for the first offense is \$50.00. The second offense is \$75.00. The third offense is \$100.00. In addition, the City may order the grass or weeds cut or removed by the City employees or by a private contracted party. The City Clerk-Treasurer shall certify to the County Auditor of Itasca County a statement of the amount of the cost incurred by the City. Such amount together with interest shall be entered as a special assessment against such lot or parcel of land and be collected in the same manner as real estate taxes.