



July 6, 2018

To: Hubert Davis, Public Services Committee Chairman
Hamblen County Commission

From: Bill Brittain, County Mayor

Re: Proposed Amendments to Resolution 18-05 Property Maintenance Code

Please find below proposed amendments to Resolution 18-05 Property Maintenance Code:

1. **Add to the first sentence in Section 302.3:**

Currently reads:

302.3 Weeds-All premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of 12 inches in height.

Proposed:

302.3 Weeds-All premises and exterior residential property within the county shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of 12 inches in height.

2. **Add New Sub-Section to Section 302:**

Proposed:

302.3.1 Stagnant water-It is a violation of this code for any person to knowingly allow any pool of stagnant water that is not a stock or retention pond to accumulate and stand on property without treating it effectively to prevent the breeding of mosquitos.

3. **Add to Code 306.1 Accumulation of Rubbish or Garbage**

Currently reads:

Accumulation of rubbish or garbage-All exterior property and premises of every structure shall be free from any accumulation of rubbish or garbage.

Proposed:

Accumulation of rubbish or garbage-All exterior property and premises of every structure shall be free from any accumulation of rubbish or garbage. This includes, but is not limited to, the keeping or maintaining or depositing on or scattering over such yards of any of the following:

(1) Lumber, junk, trash, or debris; (2) Abandoned, discarded or unused objects or equipment such as furniture, appliances, cans, tires, or containers; (3) Any compost pile which is of such a nature as to spread or harbor disease, emit unpleasant odors or harmful gas, or attract rodents, vermin or other disease-carrying pests, animals or insects, provided that the presence of earthworms in a compost pile shall not constitute a nuisance; (4) Garbage and unsanitary matter on premises unless such material is retained in containers, garbage pails or vessels which deny access to flies, insects, rodents and animals. Garbage can only be stored outside in mechanically-handled containers (MHC) provided by Hamblen County for garbage collection and then only for the purpose of such collection. (5) Abandoned wells, cisterns, shafts, basements, excavations, sinkholes, mounds of gravel or earth, junk vehicles, structurally unsound structures or fences, trash, debris or vegetation; and (6) Container units or garbage cans that have failed to be maintained in good repair.

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