

The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss



# BY-LAW

2003-40

**BEING A BY-LAW TO REQUIRE THE OWNERS  
AND OCCUPANTS OF PRIVATE PROPERTY TO  
CUT GRASS AND WEEDS ON THEIR LANDS**

**WHEREAS** Section 127 of the Municipal Act 2001 provides that a municipality may require the owner or occupant of land to clean and clear the land, not including buildings, or to clear refuse or debris from the land, not including buildings;

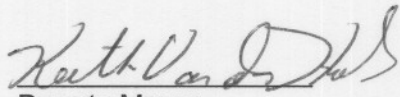
**AND WHEREAS** the municipality deems it prudent to require owners of property in urban areas to cut weeds and grass;


**NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HURON-KINLOSS ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

- 1.0 In this by-law;
  - 1.1 By-Law Enforcement Officer – shall mean the By-Law Enforcement Officer appointed by the Township;
  - 1.2 Owner – means the owner, occupant or person in charge of the premises;
  - 1.3 Premises – means any grounds, yards or vacant lots;
  - 1.4 Township – means The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss;
  - 1.5 Urban Area – means an area designated as an urban area in the Township or County's Official Plan.
- 2.0 Every owner of lands within an Urban Area of the Township shall cut the grass and weeds on their premises whenever the growth of grass or weeds exceeds twenty centimetres (20 cm) in height.
- 3.0 When any premises are not maintained in accordance with the provision of this By-Law, the By-Law Enforcement Officer shall give the owner a notice, in writing, directing the owner of the premises to make the premises conform to the requirements of this By-Law and the notice shall specify the time allowed for bringing the premises into conformity but the time specified shall be no sooner than seventy-two (72) hours after the giving of the notice.
- 4.0 The notice, in writing, from the By-Law Enforcement Officer may be either delivered to the owner in person, or mailed by certified mail to the owner at his/her last known address, and shall be deemed to have been given on the day it was delivered to that address.

- 5.0 Wherever this By-Law directs or requires anything to be done, in default of it being done by the person directed or required to do it, such thing may be done under the direction of the By-Law Enforcement Officer at the expense of the Owner and the Township may recover the expense incurred in doing it by action or the same may be recovered in like manner as municipal taxes.
- 6.0 This by-law shall come into full force and effect upon its final passage.
- 7.0 This by-law may be cited as the "Urban Area Weed and Grass Cutting By-Law"

**READ a FIRST, SECOND and THIRD TIME and FINALLY PASSED** this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2003.

  
Deputy Mayor

  
Clerk