

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
GREENUP COUNTY FISCAL COURT**

ORDINANCE 02-2012

**AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT AND
ENFORCEMENT OF BASIC PROPERTY MAINTENANCE**

WHEREAS, the incorporated area of Greenup County, Kentucky, has many residential homes owned by citizens who take great pride in the appearance of their home and surrounding property; such pride in turn benefits the county generally and their neighbors specifically by promoting increased property values and by protecting the health and safety of its citizens from rodents and other dangerous animal life that accompanies unkept premises; and

WHEREAS, the Kentucky Revised Statutes grant to the Fiscal Court of Greenup County, Kentucky, the power and authority to enact ordinances in the interest of protecting the health and safety by controlling the infestation of rodents and other dangerous animal life that accompanies unkept premises; and to promote property values;

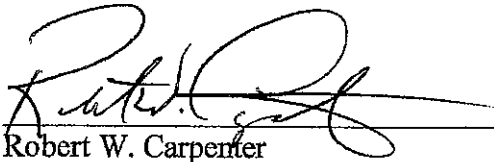
IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:

1. This Ordinance shall apply to any home and property within the boundaries of Greenup County, where said property measures less than five (5) acres of land.
2. This Ordinance applies to property which falls within the restriction in (1) above which falls into an Unkept Status. For the purposes of this Ordinance, the term Unkept Status shall be defined to mean any property where the grass measures in length of ten (10) inches or more.
3. Should a land owner be found to be in violation of this Ordinance, the Fiscal Court by and through its designee, shall post a Notice of Violation outlining the action needed to bring the property into compliance with the Ordinance upon the residence or at some other conspicuous location. For the purpose of this Ordinance, placing a Notice of Violation upon the front door of the residence shall satisfy this Notice requirement.
4. Said Notice of Violation shall in the body of the Notice, give the landowner in violation no less than seven (7) days in which to bring the property into compliance. In the event said property is not brought into compliance within the period of time noted in the Notice of Violation, the Fiscal Court of Greenup County by and through its designee is granted the right to enter upon the property in violation and commit all acts necessary to bring said property into compliance.

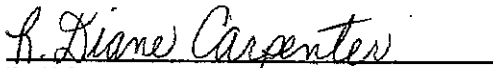
5. The Fiscal Court of Greenup County, Kentucky, shall have the right to recover any and all costs expended to bring said lot into compliance from the landowner in violation.
6. The Fiscal Court of Greenup County, Kentucky, shall have the right to place a lien against the property in the amount of any and all costs expended to bring said property into compliance.
7. Any landowner who is (1) cited for violation of this Ordinance, and (2) does not bring said property into compliance within the time allotted in the Notice of Violation, shall be fined up to Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) per day for every day the property remains in violation. Said period of violation shall begin upon the posting of the Notice of Violation and shall run until such time as the property comes into compliance.
8. Should any part of this Ordinance be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining parts shall be severable and shall continue to be in full force and effect. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption and after being published pursuant to law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Greenup County Fiscal Court that it does hereby approve the establishment and enforcement of basic property maintenance.

GIVEN SECOND READING, APPROVED, ADOPTED AND PASSED at the regular meeting of the Fiscal Court of Greenup County, Kentucky, held on this 14th day of February, 2012.


Robert W. Carpenter
Greenup County Judge/Executive

Attest:


R. Diane Carpenter
Fiscal Court Clerk

First Reading: December 13, 2011
Second Reading: February 14, 2012

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