

ARTICLE II

Brush and Hedges Near Roads and Intersections

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§ 346-11. Trimming responsibility of abutting property owner.

The owner or occupier of lands lying within the Township abutting any public roadway shall keep all trees, brush, hedges and other plant life growing within 10 feet of any roadway and within 25 feet of the intersection of two roadways cut to a height of not more than 2 1/2 feet where it shall be necessary and expedient for preservation of the public safety.

§ 346-12. Notice of violation; removal by Township.

If, within 10 days after notice to cut and remove such trees, brush, hedges and other plant life as required in § 346-11 is given by or under the direction of the Tree Conservation Officer or Chief of Police, the owner or occupier fails, refuses or neglects to cut or remove the same, the Township shall forthwith cause the same to be cut and removed. The notice shall contain a description of the property affected, sufficiently definite in terms to identify it, and shall set forth that, unless such trees, shrubs, hedges and other plant life are cut, the Township shall cut or cause the trees, shrubs, hedges or other plant life to be cut pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.26.

§ 346-13. Cost of removal to be lien.

In all cases where the trees, brush, hedges and other plant life are cut and removed from said roadway by or under the direction of an officer of the Township as set forth in § 346-12 above, the reasonable cost of such removal, as determined by the Township Administrator, shall be charged against such land. The amount so charged shall become a lien upon such land, and shall be added to the taxes next to be assessed and levied upon such land. The same to bear interest at the same rate as taxes and to be collected and enforced by the Tax Collector and in the same manner as taxes.