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**§101. Required Clearance; Trees Within Right-of-Way.** It shall be illegal for the limbs of trees, which are within or abut the right-of-way of the public roads, to be kept trimmed to a height of less than fourteen (14) feet above the ground at such places as the said limbs project over the traveled portion of the public roads and public sidewalks within East Buffalo Township. (Ordinance 17, December 22, 1969)

**§102. Required Clearance; Trees on Private Property Abutting Right-of-Way.** All trees situate on private property and having limbs projecting over the traveled portions of public roads and/or public sidewalks shall be kept trimmed to a minimum height of fourteen (14) feet above the ground by the property owner on whose land said trees are situate. (Ordinance 17, December 22, 1969)

**§103. Abatement After Notice from Township.** The Township Supervisors shall deliver written notification, either by personal service or by registered mail, to any landowner who is in violation of §102, instructing the landowner to trim the limbs of the trees on his property in compliance with §102, and upon the failure of such landowner to trim the limbs of the said trees within ten (10) days of said notification the Supervisors of their agents may enter upon the property of such owner and trim the limbs to the designated height. In such case the Supervisors shall forthwith, upon completion of the work, send an itemized bill of costs for such work to the owner of the property on which such work has been performed, which bill shall be payable immediately upon receipt of the same. In case of neglect or refusal of the owner of said property to pay said bill, it shall be the duty of the Supervisors of East Buffalo Township to collect the same together with the costs thereof by any process provided for by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The collection of such bill shall in no way prevent or be a substitution for prosecution under the criminal provisions of this ordinance. (Ordinance 17, December 22, 1969)

**§104. Penalties.** Violations of this Part shall be enforced by an action brought before a District Judge in the same manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure. The Township Solicitor may assume charge of the prosecution without the consent of the District Attorney as required by Pennsylvania Rule of Criminal Procedure No. 83(c). The fine for a violation of this Part shall not exceed \$1,000.00 and/or imprisonment to the extent allowed by law for the punishment of summary offenses.

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