City to Enforce Nuisance Ordinance

The City of Ogallala is enforcing the recently adopted Nuisance Ordinance No. 1343. Windshield assessments are being performed by the Ogallala Police Department and are currently taking place to review potential nuisance properties. Courtesy letters, being mailed certified domestic return receipt requested, are being sent to property owners and tenants with identified potential nuisance ordinance violations.

Items placed on private property that are being looked at include but are not limited to trash, discarded goods, inoperable machinery such as mowers and appliances, household furnishings, wood piles not neatly stacked, pallets, broken cement, barrels/buckets, unsafe/unfinished buildings, unlicensed vehicles and trailers, auto parts such as tires/rims and motors, dead and downed trees, and excessive weed height.

Properties that are not cleared by the date identified in the letter will be brought before the City Council on September 13, 2016 for consideration of the Council to declare the property a nuisance by Resolution. The Council will have no knowledge of who receives courtesy letters until the property is declared a nuisance. The Municipal Code may be viewed on the City's website at: <u>http://www.ogallala-ne.gov/your_government/municipal_code/index.php</u> or for questions regarding the program, please contact Chief David Kling with the Ogallala Police Department at 308-284-2024.

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