

public good, the process of condemnation to conform so far as may be, to the condemnation of property for roadways by the Commissioners of Prince George's County, or the State Roads Commission of Maryland, as authorized by law; for the removal of nuisances, for the removal of obstructions from streets, lanes, and alleys; for the establishment of building lines and building regulations; for prohibiting the carrying of concealed weapons, for prohibiting the discharge of firearms, firecrackers, torpedoes and other explosives; for preventing swine, cattle, fowls, dogs, chickens or other animals from running at large on the streets, for licensing, taxing and regulating all useful trades and occupations and all amusements and theatrical exhibitions; for the purpose of raising revenue to meet current expenses of the town, as well as for the purpose of proper protection of the health, good order and peace of the town; for the suppression of gambling, vice and immorality; and apprehending and punishing all tramps and vagrants; it may pass all ordinances necessary from time to time to carry out and enforce the foregoing provisions, and to give full force and effect to the powers and authority conferred on said corporation, and may enforce such ordinances by reasonable fines and penalties, not exceeding twenty-five dollars in any one case, as may appear to it right; it may recover said fine or penalty by action of debt, and in addition thereto, may imprison the offender until the fine is paid, not exceeding thirty days, imprisonment to be in the town lock-up, if one be provided, or in the county jail, and the sheriff of Prince George's County shall receive and confine any person so committed.

*(b) The Mayor and Town Council of Forest Heights shall have power, whenever the owner, or person in charge of any unimproved lot or vacant premises shall fail, after written notice, to remove any menace to the public health or safety arising from the growth of weeds, the accumulation of refuse, the presence of stagnant water or of combustible material, to enter upon the premises by its officers, and agents and cause such menace to be abated. Notice of the reasonable costs incurred by the town shall be delivered or mailed to the person in charge of the property and to the person in whose name the property is assessed for taxation. If the costs shall not be paid within sixty days from the giving of such notice the Mayor and Town Council of Forest Heights may recover the costs by civil action, or may fix a date for a hearing to determine whether the costs should be assessed against the property as a special tax. Notice of such hearing shall be posted on the property*