

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING PREMISES TO BE KEPT FREE FROM WEEDS, RANK GRASS, GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND OTHER UNSIGHTLY AND UNSANITARY ARTICLES; REQUIRING PROPERTY OWNERS TO ELIMINATE, FILL UP OR REMOVE STAGNANT POOLS OF WATER OR ANY OTHER UNSANITARY THING, PLACE OR CONDITION WHICH MIGHT BECOME A BREEDING PLACE FOR MOSQUITOES, FLIES AND GERMS HARMFUL TO THE HEALTH OF THE COMMUNITY; PRESCRIBING A PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED IN SUCH CASES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BARLING, ARKANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

- Section One: All property owners within the City of Barling, Arkansas, are hereby required to cut weeds, grass, remove garbage, rubbish and other unsanitary and unsightly articles and things from their property, and to eliminate, fill up, or remove stagnant pools of water or any other unsanitary things, place or condition which might become a breeding place for mosquitos, files and germs harmful to the health of the Community.
- Section Two: If the owner or owners of any lot or other real property within the City of Barling, after the giving of twenty (20) days notice in writing by City Council of Barling shall refuse or neglect to perform the duties in connection with his or their property as specified in Section One hereof, the City Marshal is hereby authorized to enter upon the property and have said weeds, rank grass or other vegetation cut and removed, or eliminate any un-sanitary and unsightly condition, and the cost thereof shall be charged against said premises and shall constitute a lien thereon.
- Section Three: In case the owner of any lot or other real property is unknown or his whereabouts is not known or is a nonresident of this State, then a copy of the written notice hereinabove referred to shall be posted upon the premises and before any action to enforce such lien shall be had, the City Recorder shall make an affidavit setting out the facts as to unknown address or whereabouts of nonresidents, and there-upon service of publication as now provided for by law against nonresident defendant may be had and an attorney ad litem shall be appointed to notify the defendant by registered letter addressed to his last known place of residence if same can be found.
- Section Four: The lien herein provided for may be enforced at any time within 18 months after work has been done by an action in the Chancery Court.
- Section Five: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section Six:

It has been determined that this ordinance is necessary and is vital to the health, welfare and safety of the public, therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED: April 15, 1971

APPROVED: Gray Baskin  
MAYOR

ATTEST: Catherine J. Colley  
RECORDER

