

AN ORDINANCE OF VILLAGE OF AIRPORT DRIVE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE SECTION 215.110: WEEDS OF CHAPTER 215 NUISANCES OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND NOTICE AND ABATEMENT PROCEDURES FOR WEEDS, OVERGROWN VEGETATION AND DOWNED TREES WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF AIRPORT DRIVE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF AIRPORT DRIVE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Chapter 215: Nuisances, be amended by repealing Section 215.110 Weeds to amend notice and abatement procedures for weeds, overgrown vegetation, and downed trees, within the Village of Airport Drive to read as follows:

“Section 215.110 Weeds”


- A. Any lot or land shall be a public nuisance if it has the presence of debris of any kind including, but not limited to, weed cuttings, cut and fallen trees and shrubs, overgrown vegetation and noxious weeds which are twelve (12) inches or more in height, rubbish and trash, lumber not piled or stacked in excess of twelve (12) inches off the ground, rocks or bricks, tin, steel, parts of derelict cars or trucks, broken furniture, any flammable material which may endanger public safety or any material which is unhealthy or unsafe and declared to be a public nuisance.
- B. When a public nuisance as described above exists, the Village Clerk or other code enforcement official shall so declare and give written notice to the owner of the property by personal service, certified mail, if otherwise unsuccessful, by publication. Such notice shall, at a minimum:
1. Declare that a public nuisance exists;
 2. Describe the condition which constitute such nuisance;
 3. Order the removal or abatement of such condition within seven (7) days from the date of service of such notice;
 4. Inform the owner that he or she may file a written request for a hearing before the Board of Trustees on the question of whether a nuisance exists upon such property; and
 5. State that if the owner fails to begin removing the nuisance within time allowed, or upon failure to pursue the removal of such nuisance without unnecessary delay, the Village Clerk or other code enforcement official shall cause the condition which constitutes the nuisance to be removed or abated and that the cost of such removal or abatement may be included in a special tax bill or added to the annual real estate tax bill for the property and collected in the same manner and procedure for collecting real estate taxes.
- C. If the owner of such property fails to begin removing the nuisance within the time

the Village Clerk or other code enforcement official shall cause the condition which constitutes the nuisance to be removed. If the Village Clerk or other code enforcement official causes such condition to be removed or abated, the cost of such removal shall be certified to the Village Clerk and/or finance officer who shall cause the certified cost to be included in a special tax bill or added to the annual real estate tax bill, at the collecting official's option, for the property and the certified cost shall be collected by the Village Collector or other official collecting taxes in the same manner and procedure for collecting real estate taxes. If the certified cost is not paid, the tax bill shall be considered delinquent, and the collection of the delinquent bill shall be governed by the laws governing delinquent and back taxes. The tax bill from the date of its issuance shall be deemed a personal debt against the owner and shall also be a lien on the property until paid.

- D. Penalty. Each person who shall neglect to cut and remove weeds, grass, vegetation, or other articles prohibited by this Chapter or who shall fail, neglect, or refuse to comply with the provisions of any notice herein shall, upon conviction, be fined in accordance with Section 100.220 of this Code.

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and approval.

Passed this 22nd day of August, 2024.



Terry Myers, Chairman Board of Trustees

ATTEST:



Sue Hirshey, Village Clerk