

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APPLETON CITY, MISSOURI, TO AMEND CHAPTER 214 OF THE CITY CODE RELATED TO CIVIL ACTIONS TO ABATE NUISANCES.

WHEREAS, the City of Appleton City has is duly authorized by Section 79.383 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri to pursue civil causes of action for abatement of nuisances created by the accumulation of unsightly, dangerous, or noxious personal property; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to enact an ordinance allowing the City to pursue these civil causes of action to abate these nuisances.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF APPLETON CITY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 215 of the City of Appleton City Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding a new Section 215.018 as follows:

Section 215.018 Right to Bring Civil Actions.

In accordance with Section 79.383, RSMo., the City of Appleton City has a right to bring suit for the abatement of nuisances caused by the accumulation of unsightly, dangerous, or noxious personal property, in any court of competent jurisdiction in the name of the City of Appleton City against the person maintaining, keeping, creating, or refusing to abate the nuisance. The City of Appleton City also may seek attorney's fees and costs from the owner(s) of abated property.

SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Board of Aldermen, signed by the Mayor, and shall remain in effect until amended or repealed by the Board of Aldermen.

SECTION 3. Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they conflict.

Read two times by title only and adopted by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Appleton City, Missouri, this 9th day of April 2024

Matthew Smith, Mayor

ATTEST:

Carrie Emerson, City Clerk