## **ORDINANCE 232**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPLACING ORDINANCE 180 REQUIRING PROPERTY TO BE KEPT FREE FROM EXCESSIVE GRASS, WEEDS, TRASH, GARBAGE, DEBRIS, UNSANITARY AND UNSIGHTLY ITEMS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the City of Barling, Arkansas, as follows:

SECTION 1: All property owners within the City of Barling, Arkansas are required to keep their property free from excessive weeds, grass, and rubbish, and other unsanitary and unsightly articles including, but not limited to, abandoned automobiles (provided such vehicles located on private property are not legally registered or licensed), junk, garbage, stagnant pools of water, and other conditions that might constitute a health hazard or create such an unsightly condition as to be detrimental to property values.

SECTION 2: If the owners of any real property within the City fail to remedy the condition of the property after the giving of ten (10) days written notice by the City Administrator, or his designated representative, then the City Administrator, or his designee, is hereby authorized to issue a citation to appear, or to enter upon the property and eliminate said condition determined to be violating this ordinance. The cost of eliminating said condition shall be billed to the property owner by mail. In addition to actual charges for eliminating said condition an associated administrative cost of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) will be added. Total costs will be charged against said premises and shall constitute a lien thereon for failure to pay such bill within thirty (30) days of receipt by property owner. Such lien will include any additional costs associated with such lien.

SECTION 3: The penalty for the violation of this Ordinance, in addition to the remedies provided elsewhere in this Ordinance, shall be a fine in an amount not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00), and each separate day in which said property remains in violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 4: The enactment of this Ordinance would ensure the protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the public and the City of Barling, Arkansas, so that an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED: this /// day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 1994.

Jerry Barling, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Myra Monchamp, CITY CLERK