

**CITY OF WARD
ORDINANCE No. O-2026-06**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING, CERTIFYING AND UPDATING A TAX LIEN AGAINST REAL PROPERTY
LOCATED IN THE CITY OF WARD FOR FUNDS EXPENDED TO PAY FOR SERVICES RENDERED DUE TO
CODE VIOLATIONS, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, CITY OF WARD ORDINANCE O-2023-12 initially created the lien against 24 Weatherwood Lane; however, since that time, additional costs have been expended by the city for continuing upkeep as shown on Attachment 1; and,

WHEREAS, THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 24 WEATHERWOOD LANE¹ in the of Ward, Arkansas was declared a public nuisance prior to passing O-2023-12; and,

WHEREAS, PURSUANT TO A.C.A. §§14-54-901, et seq. and Act 854 of 2007, the City of Ward is authorized to abate the nuisance conditions, establish a lien for the costs associated therewith, and collect same in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community and upon hearing the facts, the City Council declared that proper notice was given to the owner(s) and/or lien holder(s) of the subject property to remove, abate or eliminate the public nuisance conditions on the subject property located at 24 Weatherwood Lane; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDAINED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WARD THAT;

SECTION 1 – CERTIFICATION: In accordance with the authority granted under A.C.A. §14-54-904, the Ward City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and/or City Clerk to certify the amount due on Attachment 1, plus ten percent (10%), included herein to the Lonoke County Treasure's Office for inclusion as tax liens on the annual real property tax statement for 2023. Attachment 1 is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2 – SEVERABILITY: That the provisions of the Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any section, phrase or provision shall be declared or held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of the sections, phrases or provisions.

SECTION 3 – EMERGENCY CLAUSE: Due to the time restrains to file liens, it is in the best interest of the city that this Ordinance is hereby declared and shall be in full force and effect immediately upon passage and proper posting.

SAID ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED ON 5-19-2026.

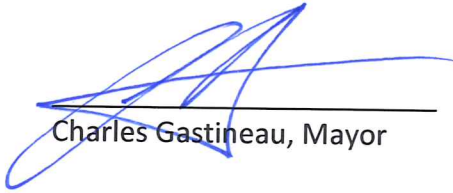
Brooke Yes, Chapman Yes, Hall Yes, Hefner Yes, McMinn Yes, Ruble Yes

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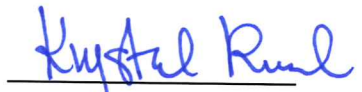
Mayor (if needed) _____

¹ Lot 8, Weatherwood Subdivision to the City of Ward, Lonoke County Arkansas. (Parcel No. 800-80008-000, located at 24 Weatherwood Lane, Ward, AR and owned by Justin Correia)

APPROVED:


Charles Gastineau, Mayor

ATTEST:


Krystal Rummel, City Clerk



Date	Personal	Equipment	Hours	Cost Per Hr	Total Cost
6/9/22		Trackhoe ¹	5	\$57.67	\$288.35
6/9/22	Street Laboror		4	\$19.77	\$79.08
6/9/22	Street Superintendent		5	\$22.45	\$112.25
6/10/22		Trackhoe	2.5	\$57.67	\$144.18
6/10/22	Street Laboror		2.5	\$19.77	\$49.43
6/10/22	Street Superintendent		2	\$22.45	\$44.90
6/13/22		Trackhoe	2.5	\$57.67	\$144.18
6/13/22	Street Laboror		2.5	\$19.77	\$49.43
6/13/22	Street Superintendent		2.5	\$22.45	\$56.13
6/15/22		Trackhoe	2.5	\$57.67	\$144.18
6/15/22	Street Laboror		2.5	\$19.77	\$49.43
					\$1,161.51

Mowing ²	From previous invoices	5	\$100.00	\$500.00
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Dumpster Rental/Disposal (Zella's Trash Service)				\$2,606.50
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Total Cost of Demolition				\$5,429.51
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Mowing ²	Additional mowing since Notice up to 4/20/23	4	\$100.00	\$400.00
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Mowing ²	Additional mowing since passage of Ordinance 2023-12	12	\$100.00	\$1,200.00
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	Subtotal				\$7,029.51
	+10%				\$702.95
5/11/26	Total				\$7,732.46

Note 1 FEMA Rates

Note 2 \$100 per Hr per Ward Ordinance 2007-07