

ORDINANCE NO. 18
NUISANCES

Sec. 1. NUISANCES, NOTICE OF REMOVAL, PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO REMOVE. - If any person within the limits of the City of Rolla shall permit or suffer on his, her or their premises or premises on which he, she or they may be the occupant or occupants, any nuisance, either by exercising an unwholesome trade, calling or business or by having or suffering or permitting any building, out-house, sewer, sink, or any putrid or unsound beef, pork, fish, hide, skin, or putrid carcass or any unwholesome substance or thing whatever to be or to remain on the premises on which he, she or they shall be the owners, occupant or occupants, until by offensive and ill-stenches or otherwise, they or any of them, shall become offensive, hurtful or dangerous to the neighborhood it shall be the duty of the Mayor and under his order the City Marshal to give notice to such persons to remove such nuisance forthwith and if the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of premises on which such nuisance shall be situated, shall neglect or refuse to remove the same for the period of twenty-four hours after such notice shall have been given, he, she or they upon conviction thereof shall be liable to the penalty hereinafter prescribed, and the expenses of removing or abating such nuisance shall be made the basis of a civil action to be brought by said city against such person or persons violating the provisions of this ordinance in case the same are not paid. (Amended #232)

Sec. 2. NUISANCES TO BE ABATED BY WHOM. - If any person or persons shall after notice as aforesaid permit any such nuisance to remain, which is manifestly dangerous or improper, it shall be lawful for the Mayor to order the removal and abatement of such nuisance either by removing any putrefaction or by draining the premises or by filling them up forthwith under his direction, and the person or persons, permitting the same to remain as aforesaid shall on conviction thereof, be liable to the penalties hereinafter prescribed.

Sec. 3. BUILDINGS NOT ALLOWED TO BECOME FOUL. - No owner or occupants of any grocery, bakery, cellar, soap factory, tannery, meat market, pork or beef packing house, stable or barn shall suffer the same to become foul, nauseous or offensive.

Sec. 4. DEAD ANIMALS NOT TO BE LEFT OR DEPOSITED IN CITY. - It shall constitute and is hereby declared a nuisance for any person to deposit, leave or cause to be left or placed or deposited in any part of the city, any dead animal or any animal or vegetable excrements or other substance, which is offensive or which may by the process of decomposition become offensive, unless the same shall be buried by the permission and under the direction of the Mayor.

Sec. 5. SLAUGHTERING HOUSES, ETC., PERMITS FOR. - It shall constitute and is hereby declared to be a nuisance for any person, firm or corporation to carry on the business of slaughtering

animals for any purpose or rendering of any animal matter or manufacturing the same into fertilizing material or changing the form thereof in any manner by the use of heat, steam, fire, chemicals or otherwise at any place or at any establishment within the City of Rolla or within one half mile of the limits of said city, except by permit from the City Council.

Sec. 6. PERMIT HOW OBTAINED, HOW REVOKED. - Before a permit shall be issued it shall be the duty of the Mayor to appoint two or more aldermen to examine such slaughter house and upon the report of such committee that such slaughter house is in a good sanitary condition the permit shall be granted.

Provided that upon complaint of any residents of the City of Rolla to the effect that such slaughter house is in an unsanitary or unwholesome condition and unsafe to the public health of the citizens of the City of Rolla, then such slaughter house shall be reinspected by a committee of alderman appointed by the Mayor and if such complaint is confirmed by such inspection then and in that event the permit heretofore granted shall be immediately revoked by the City Council.

Sec. 7. PRIVY WHEN A NUISANCE. - It shall constitute and is hereby declared to be a nuisance for any person or persons to keep or maintain any privy, any part of which is above the surface of the earth and all other privies that are foul and which omit smells and odors prejudicial to the public health or comfort, and the Mayor of said city shall be authorized to remove or abate the same provided that in all cases said Mayor or the City Marshal under his direction shall first give to such owner or occupant twenty-four hours notice in writing to remove the same.

Sec. 8. MANURE, OFFAL OR GARBAGE NOT TO BE PILED IN CITY, PENALTY. - No pile or deposit of manure, offal, or garbage nor accumulation of any offensive substance shall be made within the limits of the city, nor shall any person or corporation, unload, discharge or put upon or along the line of any railroad, street, highway or public place within said city any manure, offal, garbage or other offensive or nauseous substance, nor shall cars or flats loaded with or having in or upon them any such substance be allowed to remain or stand on or along any railroads, streets or highways within the city limits of said city, within three hundred yards of any inhabited dwelling.

It shall be the duty of all persons having stables, barns or sheds either as owners, tenants or having control thereof as agents or otherwise to remove or cause to remove all refuse of every kind and nature and all manure from such stables, barns or sheds upon the first and 15th of every month, between the first day of April and the 15th day of November of each and every year from and after the approval of this ordinance. If any person or persons, either as owner, tenant or agent, within the limits of the City of Rolla, neglect or refuse to remove such refuse or manure after two days notice by the City Marshal, he, she or they shall upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not less

than Five nor more than One Hundred dollars and shall stand convicted until such fine is paid.

Sec. 9. VAULTS TO BE CLEANED, HOW. - The cleaning, emptying and removing of the contents of privy vaults, sinks and private drains, shall be done in an inoffensive manner and any scavenger, having begun any such scavenger work, shall without interruption, orderly finish the same and shall in every instance, leave the privy vaults, sink or private drain in as good condition upon the outside as when the work was undertaken.

Sec. 10. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF ORDINANCE. - Any person who violates, disobeys, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists any of the provisions of this ordinance or who refuses or neglects to obey any of the rules, orders or sanitary regulations of the Mayor or who omits, neglects or refuses to comply with or who resists any officer or order or special regulation of said Mayor, shall upon arrest and conviction be subject to a fine of not less than Five nor more than One Hundred dollars for each offense.