

ORDINANCE NO. 3829

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 97.001, CASTING REFUSE ON PUBLIC WAYS, OF THE KEWANEE CITY CODE, AND DECLARING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE IMMEDIATELY.

WHEREAS, Appearance of neighborhoods is of great concern to the citizens of Kewanee, as reported in the community survey, and grass and other landscape clippings in and along public ways is detracting to the appearance of such; and

WHEREAS, Grass and other landscape clippings in and along the curb and gutter slows the path of storm water to storm drain catch basins; and,

WHEREAS, Grass and other landscape clippings on storm grates can clog the storm grates causing the rain water to backup and not drain into the storm sewers, causing flooding along public ways; and,

WHEREAS, Flooding and lack of drainage is detrimental to the roadways causing damage and need for repairs on an increased basis; and,

WHEREAS, Grass and other landscape waste clippings that fall into the storm sewer can cause the sewer to plug and result in storm water backups into area homes; and,

WHEREAS, Grass in the roadways is a traffic hazard to bicyclists and motorcyclists.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, BY THE KEWANEE CITY COUNCIL, IN COUNCIL ASSEMBLED, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 Section 97.001 of Chapter 97 Streets and Sidewalks; Casting Refuse on Public Ways of the Kewanee City Code is hereby amended by inserting the words shown as underlined (sample) at their respective locations.

CASTING REFUSE ON PUBLIC WAYS, § 97.001

"It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, cast, lay or place upon any sidewalk, street, alley, park or other public place within the city any of the following: The rind or peel of any orange, banana, apple or other fruit, broken glass, bottles, wires, waste paper or other brittle ware or rubbish of any kind whatever, crockery, nails, tacks, tin or iron cuttings or other article or thing liable to wound or injure any person, beast or vehicle. It shall be the duty of every person owning or occupying any lot or parcel of land adjoining any public or private alley in the city to keep the same clean and in an inoffensive condition, and also keep the gutter in front, behind, or beside the premises owned or occupied by him, or under his control, free from filth or other offensive matter, including, but not limited to, landscape waste or leaves, that may prevent the free flow of water therein. No property owner, occupant or any other person shall place, rake, or blow any leaves or landscape waste in any of the public street gutters adjoining their property owned, occupied or at which a person is working for hire or as a volunteer. Any person violating the provisions hereon shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor.

Section 2 This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Passed by the Council of the City of Kewanee, Illinois this 23rd day of May, 2016.

ATTEST:

Melinda K Edwards
Melinda Edwards, City Clerk

Steve Looney
Steve Looney, Mayor

RECORD OF THE VOTE	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Mayor Steve Looney	X			
Councilmember Andrew Koehler	X			
Councilmember Deann Schweitzer	X			
Councilmember Kellie Wallace-McKenna	X			
Councilmember Mike Yaklich	X			

