



ORDINANCE NO.: 2020-04

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 217 OF THE CODE OF THE  
TOWN OF BRIDGEVILLE AS IT RELATES TO  
VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Bridgeville have all powers granted to municipal corporations and to cities by the Constitution and general law of the State of Delaware, including the implied powers necessary to carry into execution all the powers granted; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners are of the opinion that an amendment to the Code as it relates to VACANT BUILDING REGISTRATION is necessary for the health, peace, safety and well-being of the residents of Bridgeville.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE, to read as follows:

Section 1. Amend Chapter 217 of the Code of the Town of Bridgeville, entitled "Vacant Building Registration", by deleting the ~~delineated text~~ and adding the additional **underlined text** as follows:

§217-3 Applicability.


The requirements of this section shall be applicable to each owner of any building or property consisting of one or more dwellings that shall have been vacant for more than ~~60 consecutive days~~ **one hundred and eighty (180) consecutive days**. Each owner shall file a notarized vacant property registration statement, which shall include the street address and parcel number of each vacant building, the names and address of all owners, and any other information deemed necessary by the Town Manager, or their designee.

Section 2. If any sentence, clause, section, or part of this Ordinance is found to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, such unconstitutionality, illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections, or parts of this Ordinance.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by a majority of all members elected to the Commissioners of Bridgeville.

COMMISSIONERS OF BRIDGEVILLE

By:  \_\_\_\_\_  
President

Attest:  \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

First Reading: 02/10/2020

Second Reading: 03/09/2020

Adopted: 03/09/2020

Synopsis

This ordinance extends the length of time that a building must be vacant, from 60 days to 180 days.

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