

NEWLY ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 2020-1 TOWNSHIP OF WAUBEEK FIRE PROTECTION/RESCUE CHARGES

SECTION 1. TITLE AND PURPOSE

The title of this ordinance is the Township of Waubeek Fire Protection/Rescue Charges. The purpose of this ordinance is to authorize the Town of Waubeek to bill property/vehicle owners all costs of fire protection/rescue to the user of services to reduce the tax burden of tax payers.

SECTION 2. STATE AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Section 60.55, 60.555, and 60.557 of Wisconsin Stats., the Town of Waubeek, Pepin County hereby establishes the following policy and procedure for the payment of fire costs incurred by the Town of Waubeek.

SECTION 3. LIABILITY FOR FIRE PROTECTION/RESCUE COSTS

The property owners of real estate and/or persons traveling by vehicle within the Town of Waubeek for which fire protection or rescue services is provided shall be responsible for all costs billed to the Town of Waubeek by fire/rescue for services provided.

SECTION 3. LIABILITY FOR CALLS FROM FIRE DEPARTMENT OTHER THAN AUTHORIZED DEPARTMENTS

It is the policy of the Town of Waubeek to provide fire/rescue protection within the Township. Any property owner requesting fire/rescue protection directly from any other fire department shall be responsible for the full costs billed to the Township from that other fire department.

SECTION 4. BILLING AND PAYMENT PROCEDURE

The costs of the fire/rescue calls as outlined above shall be billed by the Town Clerk to the property/vehicle owner and shall be paid to the Town Clerk within 60 days of the date of the invoice. The failure to pay the bill within 60 days will result in interest being charged at the rate of 1½% (one and a half percent) per month from the date of the invoice. Those invoices remaining outstanding, including interest, for more than 120 days, may be turned over to a collection agency or collected civilly.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY OF PROVISIONS

If any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid, the remaining portion of this ordinance shall not be deemed affected.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and posting as provided by law, pursuant to s. 60.80, Wis. Stat.

ADOPTED this 27th day of October, 2020

Vote For: 3 Vote Against: 0 Not Voting: 0

/s/ David Klein, Town Chairman

Date: 10/27/2020

Attest: Shelly Anderson, Town Clerk

Date: 10/27/2020