

TOWN of CLINTON RESOLUTION # 3-2007
FIRE PROTECTION CHARGES

WHEREAS, 1983 Wisconsin Act 532 authorizes Towns to charge property owners a portion or all of the costs of fire protection;

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest of the Town of Clinton to charge the costs of such protection to property to owners;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Clinton, does ordain as follows:

ORDINANCE # 2007-2 FIRE PROTECTION CHARGES

Section 1 – State Authority. Pursuant to Section 60.55, 60.555, and 60.557 of Wisconsin Stats., the Town of Clinton, Vernon County hereby establishes the following policy and procedure for the payment of fire costs incurred by the Town of Clinton.

Section 2 – Liability for Fire Protection Costs. The property owners of real estate within the Towns of Clinton, Jefferson, Portland and Villages of Cashton, Melvina for which fire protection is provided shall be responsible for the costs of the fire calls made to their property based upon the following schedule:

Vehicles ----- \$60 per hour or part of

Firemen-----\$10 per hour for first hour or part of

Subsequent hours -----\$5 per half hour or part of ;

Social Security Actual Charge

Section 3 – Liability for Fire Calls from Fire Departments other than authorized fire departments.

It is the policy of the Town of Clinton to contract with the fire departments listed in Section 2 above. Any property owner requesting fire protection directly from any fire department other than listed in Section 2, shall be responsible for the full costs billed to the town/village from the fire call from any authorized fire department. This section shall not apply to the costs of any other department responding at the request of an authorized department under mutual aid.

Section 4 – Billing and Payment Procedure. The costs of fire calls as outline above shall be billed by the Town Clerk to the property owner and paid to the Town Treasurer within 60 days of the date of the bill. The failure to pay the bill within 60 days will result in interest being charges at the rate of 1.5% per month from the date of the bill. Those bills remaining outstanding, including interest, for more than 90 days as of November 1 of any year shall become a lien against real estate from which fire protection was provided and shall be placed on the tax roll as a delinquent special charge pursuant to Section 66.60 of Wisconsin Statutes.

Section 5 – Separability of Provisions. Should any section or provisions of this ordinance be declared invalid, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 6 – Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and posting as provided by law.

Adopted this 12 day of DEC., 2007 by the Town Board of Supervisors for the Town of Clinton, Vernon County.

James D. Suber
Town Chairperson

Robert Feat
Town Supervisor

Dennis Kelbel
Town Supervisor