

IN THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF BARBOUR COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZNG VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES AND PAID FIRE COMPANIES TO CHARGE FEES

BE IT ENACTED, an ordinance pursuant to the provision of West Virginia Code §7-1-3d (supp. 2002), as amended, authorizing the County Commission to allow for volunteer fire companies and paid fire departments within the County of Barbour, State of West Virginia, to charge reasonable reimbursement fees for personnel and equipment used in performing firefighting services, victim rescue, and clean up of debris, and hazard material by department personnel.

Barbour County Commission meeting this day and in compliance with the provisions of the West Virginia Constitution, and the statues and laws of the State of West Virginia, find good cause to adopt such Ordinance in the interest of having continuous and effective fire protection for the property and citizens of Barbour County.

WHEREFORE, any volunteer fire company, and paid fire department, operating in and under the jurisdiction of the Barbour County Commission is hereby authorized to charge a reasonable fee for reimbursement for personnel and equipment used in performing firefighting services, victim rescue, cleanup of debris, and hazardous materials by fire department personnel. The rate of any such fee shall be charged to the property owner, or other person responsible or liable for payment of such services.

Further, pursuant to West Virginia Code §7-1-3d (supp. 2002), as amended, provided, that no fee for any single incident or accident shall exceed \$1,500, except that the fee for an incident or accident involving hazardous materials or extended search and rescue and water rescue incidents may exceed this amount based on the necessary and reasonable costs incurred. The County Commission of Barbour County shall require that any fees charged pursuant to this authorization conferred by this Ordinance must be in writing, and be itemized by specific services rendered, and show the rate for each such service.

Any fire department submitting such fees as authorized by this Ordinance is hereby authorized to directly bill the property owner or other person responsible or liable for payment of such services, however the fire department shall forward a copy of such bill to the Clerk of the County Commission.

This amended Ordinance enacted upon by the Barbour County Commission on this 6th day of April 2020, and shall be made of record in the Office of the Clerk in the County Commission of Barbour County, West Virginia.



Susie Cvechko, President
Barbour County Commission



Tim McDaniel, Commissioner
Barbour County Commission



Jamie Carpenter, Commissioner
Barbour County Commission

Attested:

This the 6th day of April, 2020, and Ordinance enacted by the Barbour County Commission by majority vote, held this day in a public meeting, the Ordinance Having been read, noticed and publicly debated in accordance with the laws of the State of West Virginia, as reflected in the minutes of the Barbour County Commission .

Connie Kaufman
Connie Kaufman, Clerk of the County Commission
Barbour County, West Virginia

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, County of Barbour, To-Wit:

I, Connie L. Kaufman, Clerk of the County Commission of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing writing, with Certificate Thereto annexed, was this day produced to me in my office and duly Admitted to record.

Witness my hand, Connie L. Kaufman , - Clerk

Connie L. Kaufman
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