

Ordinance 28 Bridgewater Township Emergency Services

An ordinance to establish charges for emergency services.

THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER ORDAINS:

Section 1. Purpose. Pursuant to P.A. 33 of 1951, as amended (MCL 41.801 et seq.), this ordinance authorizes charges to the recipients of fire, medical or other emergency services provided by the Township or its agents.

- A. Non-resident persons, partnerships, corporations or limited liability companies receiving emergency services from Bridgewater Township or its agents shall be charged for those services. The fees shall cover include, but are not limited to, services for fires, medical emergencies and hazardous materials cleanups.
- B. Resident and non-resident persons, partnerships, corporations or limited liability companies receiving emergency services from Bridgewater Township or its agents, arising as a consequence of any non-permitted or illegal burning in Bridgewater Township, shall be charged for those services.
- C. The fee for services charged pursuant this Section shall be based on a fee schedule adopted by resolution of the Township Board.
- D. Charges shall be due within 30 days of the services of receipt of a bill for services sent pursuant to this ordinance.
- E. For purposes of this ordinance any person, partnership, corporation or limited liability company paying either real property or personal property taxes in Bridgewater Township shall be deemed to be a resident of Bridgewater Township. All others are deemed to be non-residents.

Section 3. Collection. Charges imposed under this ordinance shall be collectible by the Township or its agent through proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction as a matured debt. Unpaid charges imposed for the protection or cleanup of real or personal property shall become a lien on the property. Such charges may be collected by adding them to tax rolls of the property.

Section 4. Appeal. Any person aggrieved by the charges imposed pursuant to this ordinance may appeal those charges to the Township Board. The appeal must be initiated by filing a protest letter with the Township Clerk within 30 days of the notification of the charges. The Township Board shall then conduct a due process hearing and make a

decision within 60 days of the hearing.

Section 5. Repeal. This ordinance supercedes and replaces Township Ordinances 14 and 21. Those ordinances are repealed.

Section 6. Severability. Should any provision or part of this ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, that shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the balance of this ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 7. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon publication.

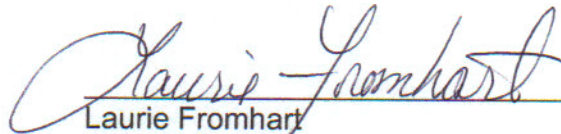
YEAS:
NAYS:
ABSENT:

Ordinance Declared Adopted on December 2, 2010.

Certification of Township Clerk

I, Laurie Fromhart, the duly elected Clerk of the Township of Bridgewater certify that the foregoing ordinance is a true and correct copy of the ordinance, as amended on December 2, 2010 by the Township Board of the Township of Bridgewater on December 2, 2010 and published in the Manchester Enterprise, a newspaper, circulated in the Township of Bridgewater on January 13, 2011.





Laurie Fromhart
Township Clerk