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**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE AGENDA
118 HILLSBORO AVENUE
EDWARDSVILLE, IL 62025**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022
5:30 P.M.**

Janet Stack, Chair Committee Members
Jennifer Warren Chris Farrar

Call to Order

Roll (Quorum)

Public Comment:

Approval of Minutes:

- Approval of Public Safety Committee minutes held Tuesday, November 30, 2021.

Police Department:

Informational Item(s):

- New Officer, Christopher Noga – Started January 10, 2022
- MLK Celebration – Attended MLK Celebration at Mt. Joy Church on January 17, 2022
- Main Street Community Center – Department employees made a monetary donation to the center recently
- Body Camera Demos

Fire Department:

Action Item(s):

- Approval of An Ordinance Amending Chapter 240 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Edwardsville (Emergency Medical Transportation Fees)

Informational Item(s):

- 12/10/2021 Amazon Tornado Event
- 12/31/2021 EXO Lounge Fire
- Firefighter Testing, Hiring and New Hire, Michael Thoe – Started January 10, 2022
- Fire Department's Annual Report

Old Business:

Discussion Item(s):

- Ferrellgas tanks at 210 1st Avenue

New Business:

Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, February 8, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. held at City Hall, located at 118 Hillsboro Avenue, Edwardsville, IL 62025

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Public Safety Committee

Meeting Minutes

November 30, 2021

Members Present: Alderwoman Janet Stack
Alderman Chris Farrar
Alderwoman Jennifer Warren

Other Present: James Whiteford, Fire Chief
Mike Fillback, Director of Police Department
Kevin Head, City Administrator
Anna Roseman, Fire Department
Amanda Davis, SIUE Student
Tiffany Francis, SIUE Student

The Edwardsville Public Safety Committee meeting was called to order by Alderwoman Janet Stack at 5:30 p.m. in the Governor Edwards Conference Room, 118 Hillsboro Avenue, with a quorum present: Alderwoman Janet Stack, Alderman Chris Farrar and Alderwoman Jennifer Warren.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes:

- Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderwoman Warren to approve minutes from the Public Safety Committee meeting held Tuesday, October 26, 2021. Motion carried with Stack, Farrar and Warren voting aye.

Police Department:

Informational Item(s):

- *Personnel Update*
The three (3) new police officers are in the academy and will graduate on Friday, December 3, 2021. They will be sworn in at the next Council meeting.
- *Holiday Shopping Safety Tips*
During this holiday season, be careful, look around, and store your valuables and purchases. For online shopping beware of scams and the information you give. Safety Tips are on the Edwardsville Police Department's Facebook page.

Fire Department:

Action Item(s):

- *A Resolution Approving an Amended Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Glen Carbon Fire Protection District for Automatic Mutual Aid*
The Public Safety Committee passed the original mutual aid agreement with Glen Carbon Fire Protection District on August 10, 2021. This amendment includes four (4) additional sections detailing rights and responsibilities of the parties involved that were unintentionally omitted from the original agreement.

Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar for a Resolution Approving an Amended Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement with the Glen Carbon Fire Protection District for Automatic Mutual Aid. Motion carried with Stack, Farrar and Warren voting aye.

- *Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding for the 2021 Regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG)*

EFD has partnered with the following agencies for a regional FEMA Assistance To Firefighters Grant: East Alton Fire Department, Long Lake Fire Department, Mitchell Fire Protection District, Rosewood Heights Fire Protection District and Wood River Fire Department. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requirement for an AFG regional grant is to have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) explaining the responsibilities of all the parties. This resolution is to agree to enter into a MOU with the five (5) other fire departments for the purpose of applying for the regional AFG.

Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderwoman Warren for a Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding for the 2021 Regional Assistance to Firefighters Grant. Motion carried with Stack, Farrar and Warren voting aye.

- *Resolution authorizing budgeting for cost share of 2021 FEMA Assistance To Firefighters grant*

This resolution is to approve fiscal year 22-23 budgeting for cost sharing on a grant to replace thirty-two (32) self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). The Assistance to Fire Fighters Grant (AFG) provides financial assistance for safety equipment for fire departments. This is a cost share grant; the federal government will pay 90% and the local will pay 10%. The estimated local cost share is \$33,300.00. This resolution allows EFD to have the money available if the grant is awarded.

Motion by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar for a Resolution Authorizing Budgeting for Cost Share of 2021 FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant not to exceed the cost of \$33,300.00. Motion carried with Stack, Farrar and Warren voting aye.

Old Business:

New Business:

Discussion Item(s):

- *Stop signs at Lindley Avenue and Chapman Street*
A constituent had inquired about a stop sign at Lindley Avenue and Chapman Street. There has been only one (1) vehicle/pedestrian incident reported in the last five (5) years. The Public Safety Committee can reevaluate after construction is completed to see if the site line improves.
- *Discussion about lowering the speed on Interstate 55 south bound prior to Illinois Route 143*
Illinois of Department of Transportation (IDOT) controls the speed on Interstate 55. With the increase of usage and population growth, it was suggested to send a letter to IDOT to reduce the speed limit *on Interstate 55 south bound prior to Illinois Route 143.*

- *Review data from Police and Fire of any issues that may warrant further investigation*
Fire Chief Whiteford reviewed the annual fire data and has not identified any patterns of concern such as arsons, or specific types of structures catching fire. However, EMS calls are up 5% over last year. A further projected increase is expected due to new construction in town such as the BJC Children’s Clinic. Next year’s projected increase is as high as 8% over this year.

Police Chief Fillback stated that the growth of Edwardsville; residence, shopping, the warehouses, Plummer Family Park and now the new ice rink demands a lot of manpower.

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Public Safety Committee is Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Motion to adjourn by Alderwoman Stack, second by Alderman Farrar. With no further business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m. Motion carried with Stack, Farrar and Warren voting aye.

Janet Stack, Chair

Minutes prepared by: Anna Roseman, Fire Department

Approved Signature: /s/ Janet Stack, by staff liaison

Approved Date: _____



DATE: February 1, 2022

ACTION ITEM TITLE: AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING CHAPTER 240 OF THE CODIFIED
ORDINANCES OF EDWARDSVILLE
(AMBULANCE FEES)
(CITY CLERK/COLLECTOR DEPARTMENT)

ORIGIN: Fire Department

SUMMARY:

Chapter 240 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Edwardsville establish fees for ambulance service. The proposed amendment incrementally raises those fees in each of six categories for levels of service. Additionally, it provides for an annual adjustment in fees based on the Ambulance Inflation Factor as determined by Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

RATIONALE:

Historically, ambulance fees have been addressed every 3-5 years to adjust for increased costs and rates that can be reasonably collected from Medicare, Medicaid and private pay/insurance. The rates were last adjusted by Edwardsville ordinance in 2019. The cost of running the ambulance service has increased since that time making an increase in fees appropriate. Proposed fees are based on the average cost-per-run of operating the ambulance service, and adjusted for resident and non-resident pricing in each of the service levels. Additionally, an annual multiplier has been added to reduce the need for regular adjustments to the Ordinance in the future. Each year on January 1, a new fee schedule will be created. This will be accomplished by multiplying the current ambulance prices by the Ambulance Inflation Factor, which is determined by Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). Then, in order to streamline billing, each of the fees will be rounded to the nearest ten dollar (\$10) amount, resulting in the new fee schedule.

COMPLIANCE WITH COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OR OTHER PLAN:

SUGGESTED COUNCIL ACTION:

Ordinance No. _____

**An Ordinance Amending Chapter 240 of the Codified Ordinances
Of the City of Edwardsville
(Emergency Medical Transportation Fees)**

Whereas, the Corporate Authorities have previously adopted ordinances establishing the fees for Emergency Medical Transportation services involving basic or advanced life support: and,

Whereas, the City Council has determined it to be in the best interests of the community to amend Section 240.11 c) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Edwardsville – Emergency Medical Transportation Fees in order to maintain the level of services and cover the increased costs of providing the emergency medical services to the community and surrounding areas.

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained, by the City Council of the City of Edwardsville, Madison County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1: Recitals. The fact and statements contained in the preamble to this Ordinance are found to be true and correct and are hereby adopted as part of this Ordinance.

Section 2: Amendment. The Codified Ordinances of the City of Edwardsville, Chapter 240, Section 240.11 c) – Edwardsville Ambulance Service is amended in its entirety as follows:

240.11 Edwardsville Ambulance Service:

c) Emergency Medical Transportation Fees:

Whenever a response is made, there shall be paid by the victim, the victim's parent, child guardian, or agent, to the City Clerk for deposit to the City Treasury, a sum as follows:

- 1) The fee for transporting a City resident to or from any location which requires use of Basic Life Support (BLS) services shall be seven hundred dollars **(\$700)**.
- 2) The fee for transporting a City resident to or from any location which requires use of the Advanced Life Support (ALS) service shall be on thousand dollars **(\$1000.00)**.
- 3) The fee for transporting a non-City resident to or from any location which requires use of Basic Life Support (BLS) services shall be nine hundred dollars **(\$900.00)**.
- 4) The fee for transporting a non-City resident to or from any location which requires use of the Advanced Life Support (ALS) services, shall be twelve hundred forty dollars **(\$1240.00)**.
- 5) The fee for transporting a City resident to or from any locations which requires the use of the Advanced Life Support (ALS) Level 2 services, shall be eleven hundred dollars **(\$1100.00)**.
- 6) The fee for transporting a non-City resident to or from any locations which requires the use of the Advanced Life Support (ALS) Level 2 services, shall be one thousand three hundred forty dollars **(\$1340.00)**.
- 7) The loaded mileage rate will be fifteen dollars **(\$15.00)** per mile.
- 8) The fee for examination and/or treatment of each person who refuses or is not in need of transportation for further treatment shall be one hundred fifty dollars **(\$150.00)**.
- 9) A delayed payment charge, equal to 1.5 percent of the total charges stated on the bill for services rendered or five dollars (\$5.00), whichever is greater, shall be added to all bills not paid on or before the 31st consecutive calendar day beginning with the day of billing.
- 10) Ambulance fees will be adjusted on January 1, of each year by multiplying current ambulance fees by the Ambulance Inflation Factor as determined by Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS), Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and then rounding each fee to the nearest ten dollar (\$10) amount.

Section 3: Severability. Each section and each part of each section of this Codified Ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent section or part of a section, and if any such section or part of a section, or any provision thereof is held to be invalid, the remaining sections or parts of sections shall not be affected thereby.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2022, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent:

Abstention:

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2022.

Art Risavy, Mayor

Attested, filed and published in my office this
____ day of _____, 2022.

Michelle Boyer, City Clerk