

CITY OF DANUBE

ORDINANCE #103

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
FEES FOR EMERGENCY FIRE
DEPARTMENT SERVICES

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DANUBE, MINNESOTA, DOES HEREBY
ORDAIN:

SECTION ONE. PURPOSE AND INTENT: That this Ordinance is adopted for the purpose of establishing that the City will charge for all fire calls as allowed by state statutes, which authorizes a city to charge for fire services calls.

SECTION TWO. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

- A. Fire Call – Any deployment of fire fighting personnel and/or equipment to provide: fire suppression, rescue, extrication, extinguishing of a fire, the performance of any preventative measures in an effort to protect or pre-empt a fire or fire hazard or to protect equipment, life or property in an area threatened by fire, and to provide any other services related to fire and rescue as may occasionally occur.

SECTION THREE. PARTIES AFFECTED.

- A. City of Danube residents who receive fire service for any type of fire call.
- B. Township residents who receive fire service for any type of fire call and whose township has entered into a fire service contract with the City of Danube.
- C. All fire calls in response to car accidents or fires where persons receiving service are either not residents of the City of Danube or residents of townships served by a fire contract with the City of Danube.

SECTION FOUR. RATES.

- A. The rate for a fire call is as follows: \$200.00 plus \$8.00 per person, per hour.

SECTION FIVE. BILLING AND COLLECTION.

- A. Parties receiving fire service via a fire call will be billed directly by the City of Danube within 30 days of the fire call. If the party receiving fire service does not initiate the contact for service but a fire or other situation exists which at discretion of the fire department personnel in charge requires fire services and qualifies as a fire call as defined in Section Two, that party will be charged for a fire call.
- B. The City of Danube will use all practical and reasonable legal means to collect billed fire calls. The party receiving the fire service shall be liable for all costs of collection incurred by the City including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees and court costs.
- C. Billing may be directed to the insurance carrier as a reasonable effort by the City to assist the party who received the fire service. Any billable amount of the fire call not covered by a party's applicable insurance remains a debt of the party receiving fire service.
- D. False Alarms will be billed as a fire call unless the trucks do not leave the building.

SECTION SIX. MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS.

- A. On fire calls where the City of Danube provides "Mutual Aid" to another fire service the associated billing will be determined by the Mutual Aid Agreement with that fire service.

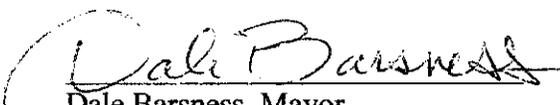
SECTION SEVEN. APPLICATION OF COLLECTIONS TO BUDGET.

- A. All revenues generated by paid billable fire calls will be used to offset the expenses of the City of Danube Fire Department.

SECTION EIGHT. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance shall become effective upon publication.

Adopted this 22nd day of October, 2003.


Dale Barsness, Mayor


Attest: Veva Mittelstadt, City Clerk