

## **Ordinance # 2007 - 1**

### **Ordinance Establishing - Fire Protection Charges for the *Browntown, Cadiz Jordan Fire District***

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

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

NOW THEREFOR, the Town Board of supervisors, of the Town of Jordan, does ordain as follows:

#### **Section 1 – State Authority** - Pursuant to section 60.55, 60.555, and 60.557 of Wisconsin Stats.

The Town of Jordan, hereby establishes the following policy and procedure for the payment of fire department response, incurred by the Town of Jordan.

#### **Section 2 – Liability for Fire Protection Costs – For the *Browntown, Cadiz Jordan Fire District***

The property owners of real estate within the Town of Jordan for which “fire department response” is provided, or persons for which, “fire department response” is provided, shall be responsible for the costs of the “fire department response” based upon the Fee Schedule:

The Browntown, Cadiz, Jordan Fire District Fee Schedule shall be determined by the appointed members of the Fire District Board.

The Fee Schedule may be based on, but not limited to; a per hour charge for equipment dispatched, a per hour charge for labor to off set the cost of training, insurance, etc., a charge for consumable materials used such as, but not limited to; foam, air pack refill, medical supplies, water subject to billing by the by the Town of Jordan water utility, etc.,

The fee schedule shall be reviewed and approved a minimum of once per year.

#### **Section 3 – Liability for Calls from fire Departments other than authorized fire Departments.**

It is the policy of the Town of Jordan to contract with the fire department 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 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 – Definitions.**

**4.01. "Fire Department Response"** means coming to the scene of a fire or hazardous materials incident, traffic or vehicular accident, or hazardous condition, or any investigation in connection with a fire, hazardous materials incident, accident or hazardous condition.

**4.02. "Hazardous Condition"** means any condition creating a concern for the physical welfare of persons in the immediate area of the situation (including downed utility lines or gas leaks not in a occupied structure), requiring a fire department response.

**4.03. "Investigation"** means gathering of evidence or data in connection with arson investigations, or special investigations required to determine the responsibility of persons for fires, spills, accidents or hazardous conditions. Investigations do not include the normal investigation made to determine cause and origin of a fire.

4.04. "Person" means a natural person, corporation, partnership or other entity with legal capacity.

**Section 5 – Billing and Payment Procedure**

The costs of fire calls as outlined above shall be billed by the Browntown, Cadiz, Jordan Fire District Board, to the property owner and paid to the Browntown, Cadiz, Jordan Fire District within 90 days of the date of bill. The failure to pay bill within 90 days will result in interest being charged at the rate of 1% 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 the real estate from which "fire department response" was provided and shall be placed on the tax roll as a delinquent special charge pursuant to Section 66.60 of Wisconsin Statutes.


**Section 6- Separability of Provisions**

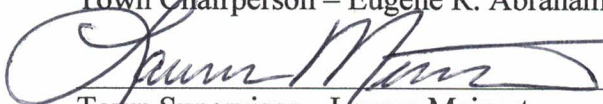
Should any section or provisions of this ordinance be declared invalid, such decisions shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

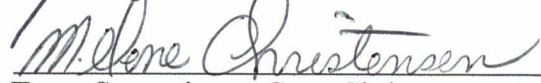
**Section 7- Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its passage and posting as provided by law.

Adopted This 8<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007 by the Town board of Supervisors of the **Town of Jordan**, Green County

  
Town Chairperson – Eugene R. Abraham

  
Town Supervisor – Lauren Meinert

  
Town Supervisor – Gene Christensen

Attest: I Billy J. Reynolds, Town Clerk in and for the Town of Jordan do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a correct copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Town of Jordan Board on 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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**Fee Schedule**

Fire Engine # 1	\$	per hour or part there of
Fire Engine # 2	\$	per hour or part there of
Rescue unit	\$	per hour or part there of
Tanker Truck	\$	per hour or part there of
Grass Rig	\$	per hour or part there of
Firefighters	\$	per hour or part there of
Foam	Actual replacement charge for amount used	
Air packs	Actual replacement charge for amount used	
Water	Actual charge for amount used	

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

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Fire Board Chairman