

RECORD OF ORDINANCES

GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 30043

Ordinance No. 39 -2024

Passed August 5th, 2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 71-2023 TO AUTHORIZE THE EXPANSION OF THE PARAMEDIC PROGRAM FROM 252 HOURS PER WEEK TO 336 HOURS EACH WEEK TO PROVIDE TWO (2) EMS PERSONNEL AVAILABLE EVERY DAY FROM AUGUST 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, The Village of Brewster residents voted for a Fire Income Tax, and

WHEREAS, the Paramedic Program was initiated by ordinance 62-2005 to have a certified paramedic on-station from 6:00am to 6:00 pm, Monday through Friday (excepting holiday), and

WHEREAS, the Paramedic Program was subsequently expanded in ordinance 19-2012 with a certified paramedic on-station up to 84 hours per week, adding 12 hours from 6:00am to 6:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday (excepting holidays); and

WHEREAS, one of the stated goals of the Village of Brewster Fire Income Tax approved by voters was to expand service hours for the Paramedic Program as sufficient funding became available, and

WHEREAS, after a 2020 review of the funds received from the Fire Income Tax, Village Council approved Ordinance 71-2020 to expand the then Paramedic Program from 84 hours per week to 168 hours per week, including holidays, within the funds generated by the Fire Income Tax, and

WHEREAS, after a subsequent 2022 review of the funds generated by the Fire Income Tax, as well as other Fire Department Funds, Village Council approved ordinance 67-2022 to expand the Paramedic Program from 168 hours (one individual 24/ 7) by an additional 60 hours per week in order to provide two (2) individuals "on-station" on Friday afternoons, Saturdays, and Sundays so the weekends are better covered, and also staff two (2) individuals on holidays and special events where " volunteer" staffing is reduced; and

WHEREAS, the after a 2022 review of the funds the Fire Income Tax was generating, as well as other Fire Department Funds, and taking into account fixed costs of operation such as the Fire Station Addition which was a stated goal for the Fire Income Tax and necessary to be able to staff 24/7, Council approved Ordinance 67-2022 to expand the Paramedic Program from 168 hours (one individual 24/7) by an additional 60 hours per week to provide two (2) individuals on Friday afternoons, Saturdays, and Sundays so the weekends are better covered, and also staff two (2) individuals on holidays and special events where " volunteer" staffing is reduced, and

WHEREAS, in June of 2024, Sugarcreek Township donated \$38,540.00 towards the staffing of the EMS Program, and

WHEREAS, after the review of Fire and EMS finances in 2024 Village Council, with the advice of the Mayor, and the Fire Chief, desires to further modify the use of emergency medical personnel within the Paramedic Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BREWSTER, THAT:

SECTION 1: The Village of Brewster shall expand the current Paramedic Program from the 252 hours per week with a certified a Paramedic, on-station 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, as well as a second Paramedic on duty 84 hours per week - **to add an additional 84 hours per week provided for the second Paramedic** providing for two (2) on-station, so that there are two (2) EMS certified personnel on station at all times from August 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

SECTION 2. In the event that the Village is unable to employ and/or schedule a certified paramedic for any" shift" on-station, it may substitute a certified EMT-Advanced or EMT.

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SECTION 3. That both certified paramedics and/or EMT-Advanced or EMT scheduled/working shall remain "on station" except for when answering calls or performing other assigned duties.

SECTION 4: That the schedule as described in Sections 1 and 2 of two (2) EMS personnel shall be submitted and approved by the Mayor and Fire Chief each week.


SECTION 5: That the finances must be reviewed at the end of each year to determine if this schedule can be sustained for the following year.

SECTION 6. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council, and of any of its committees, which resulted in formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

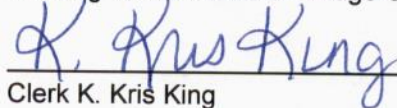
SECTION 6. This ordinance shall be deemed an emergency to provide additional personnel at the earliest time necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety, and shall be in full force and effect at the earliest date provided by law.


Mayor Charles B. Hawk

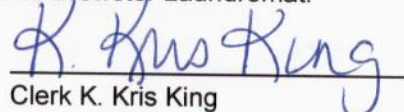
Attest:


Clerk K. Kris King

I, K. Kris King, hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution passed at a regular meeting of the Brewster Village Council held on August 5, 2024.


Clerk K. Kris King

I, K. Kris King, Clerk of Council of the Village of Brewster, State of Ohio, do hereby certify that there is no newspaper printed in said municipality and that publication of the aforesaid ordinance was duly made by posting true copies thereof at five of the most public places in said corporation as determined by Council as follows: Brewster Municipal Services, Brewster Barber Shop, Brewster Federal Credit Union, Brewster Post Office and Brewster Laundromat.


Clerk K. Kris King