## Ordinance No. 1-24-773 Monona Common Council

## AMENDING CHAPTER 152-1 OF THE MONONA CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION CHARGES FOR DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

WHEREAS, the Common Council is committed to safe and effective fire protection and emergency medical services from the Monona Fire Department and its members; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Monona has an established ordinance that eliminates ambulance bills to active members of the fire and EMS department and their immediate family members if transported within city limits; and,

WHEREAS, the Monona Fire Department has found that said ordinance is not legal due to Medicare and Medicaid rules; and,

WHEREAS, the Monona Fire Department accepts payment for ambulance services from Medicare and Medicaid for ambulance transport; and,

WHEREAS, the Monona Fire Department may not legally provide ambulance transport services to an individual and do so at a lower cost than we bill Medicare and Medicaid; and,

WHEREAS, the Monona Fire Department requests immediate removal of said ordinance to maintain the ability to accept Medicare and Medicaid payments.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Common Council of the City of Monona, Dane County, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 152-1 is hereby amended to delete section C as follows:

§ 152-1 Fee for ambulance transportation. [Amended 6-17-2013 by Ord. No. 6-13-646; 10-16-2017 by Ord. No. 9-17-689; 10-16-2017 by Ord. No. 10-17-691]

- A. Individuals receiving transportation or services from the Monona Emergency Medical Services shall be charged fees as follows:
  - (1) A fee shall be established by the Common Council; and
  - (2) Charges for mileage, medications, supplies and all other consumable goods provided shall be in an amount established by the Public Safety Committee.
- B. If the ambulance fee is not covered by insurance, or partially covered, and the person is unable to pay the fee, he or she may request a waiver of the balance due.
- C. An active member of the Monona Emergency Medical Services or the Monona Fire Department or the active member's immediate family living in the same household shall not be charged ambulance transportation fees if transported within the City limits.

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this // day of January	, 2024.
	BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL CITY OF MONONA, WISCONSIN
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	Mary K. O'Connor Mayor
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	Alene Houser
	City Clerk

Approval Recommended By: Public Safety Committee -11/22/23

Council Action:
Date Introduced: Date Approved:
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