

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 42, SECTION 42-2 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, ILLINOIS REGARDING AMBULANCE FEES

WHEREAS, the Village of Stickney (the "Village") is a home rule municipal corporation in accordance with Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the Village has the authority to adopt ordinances and to promulgate rules and regulations that pertain to its government and affairs, and to review, interpret and amend its ordinances, rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Village President (the "President") and the Board of Trustees of the Village (the "Village Board" and with the President, the "Corporate Authorities") are committed to providing emergency ambulance and paramedic services (the "Services") to individuals residing in and visiting the Village; and

WHEREAS, to defray a portion of the expenses of providing the Services to the public, the Corporate Authorities have determined that it is in the best interests of the Village to amend and revise certain fees for the Services; and

WHEREAS, after due deliberation and consideration, and in furtherance of the public health, safety and welfare, the Corporate Authorities have determined that it is necessary and advisable to amend the Municipal Code, Village of Stickney, Illinois (the "Village Code") to revise fees charged for said Services; and

WHEREAS, based upon the foregoing, the Corporate Authorities have determined that it is in the best interests of the Village and its residents to amend Chapter 42, Section 42-2 of the Village Code as set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF STICKNEY, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION CLAUSE.

The Corporate Authorities hereby find that all of the recitals hereinbefore stated as contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true and correct and do hereby, by reference, incorporate and make them part of this Ordinance as legislative findings.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend Chapter 42, Section 42-2 of the Village Code to revise the fees charged for said Services and to authorize the President or his designee to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

ARTICLE II.
AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 42, SECTION 42-2 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE, VILLAGE OF
STICKNEY, ILLINOIS

SECTION 3.0. AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 42, SECTION 42-2.

That the Village Code is hereby amended, notwithstanding any provision, ordinance, resolution or Village Code section to the contrary, by amending Chapter 42, Section 42-2, which Section shall be amended as follows:

Sec. 42-2. - Cost of ambulance service.

- (a) The president and the board of trustees hereby find that the escalating increase in the costs of providing adequate ambulance services to residents and nonresidents of the village has created an urgent need for additional funds to provide such services. It is hereby declared that the fees imposed in this section are solely for the purpose of providing revenue to help defray the costs of such services.

- (b) The fees charged for ambulance services shall be as follows:

~~\$1,300~~ 1352.00 - Residents
~~\$1,500~~ 1560.00 - Non-Residents

Recipients of ambulance services shall be responsible for payment for said services and where needed, the Village or its agent may make efforts in furtherance of collecting payment for said services.

- (c) All monies received by the village under the provisions of this section shall be placed in an account set up for the express purpose of funding expenses necessary to furnish ambulance services by the village.
- (d) Nothing in this section shall authorize any village department or village official or employee to refuse or delay any service to any person, firm or corporation that has not paid for service or that owes for previous service.
- (e) The fire chief, upon written notice to the board of trustees, may increase the fees set forth in subsections (b) of this section on an annual basis by no more than 4% per annum unless otherwise authorized or prohibited by the board of trustees by ordinance.

SECTION 3.1. OTHER ACTIONS AUTHORIZED.

The officers, employees and/or agents of the Village shall take all action necessary or reasonably required to carry out, give effect to and consummate the amendments contemplated by this Ordinance and shall take all action necessary in conformity therewith.

**ARTICLE III.
HEADINGS, SAVINGS CLAUSES, PUBLICATION,
EFFECTIVE DATE**

SECTION 4. HEADINGS.

The headings of the articles, sections, paragraphs and subparagraphs of this Ordinance are inserted solely for the convenience of reference and form no substantive part of this Ordinance nor should they be used in any interpretation or construction of any substantive provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY.

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and should any provision of this Ordinance be determined to be in conflict with any law, statute or regulation by a court of competent jurisdiction, said provision shall be excluded and deemed inoperative, unenforceable and as though not provided for herein and all other provisions shall remain unaffected, unimpaired, valid and in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. SUPERSEDER.

All code provisions, ordinances, resolutions, rules and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded.

SECTION 7. PUBLICATION.

A full, true and complete copy of this Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form or in a newspaper published and of general circulation within the Village as provided by the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall be effective and in full force ten (10) days after its passage, approval and publication in accordance with applicable law.

PASSED this 6th day of January, 2026.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTENTION:

APPROVED by me this 6th day of January, 2026.

Jeff Walik, President

**ATTESTED AND FILED in my
office this 6th day of January, 2026.**

Mitch Milenkovic, Village Clerk