

VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE
CALUMET COUNTY, WISCONSIN
ORDINANCE NO. 2023-04

ORDINANCE TO REVISE CHAPTER 17 FINANCE

The Village Board for the Village of Stockbridge, Calumet County, Wisconsin pursuant to its powers as stated in Section 61.34 (1) Wis. Statutes do ordain as follows:

SECTION 1: The section 17.03 of the Village Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to the following:

17.03 CLAIMS AGAINST VILLAGE

5. FIRE DEPARTMENT AND FIRST RESPONDERS VOLUNTEER FUNDS

a. DEFINITIONS

- i. Fire Department Volunteer Funds. A separate account for the Stockbridge Fire Department for “Fire Department Volunteer Funds” established in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 66.0608 “Fire Department Volunteer Funds” are funds raised by employees of the Stockbridge Fire Department, by volunteers or by donation to the fire department, for the benefit of the Stockbridge Fire Department.
- ii. First Responders Volunteer Funds. A separate account for the Stockbridge First Responders for “First Responders Volunteer Funds” established in accordance with Wisconsin Statutes 66.0608 “First Responders Volunteer Funds” are funds raised by employees of the Stockbridge First Responders, by volunteers or by donation to the first responders, for the benefit of the Stockbridge First Responders.
- iii. Village and Town. Village shall mean The Village of Stockbridge and Town shall mean The Town of Stockbridge.

- b. **PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY.** This section is enacted pursuant to the authority of the Wis. Stats. § 66.0608 for the purpose of authorizing volunteer funds to be held in the name of the fire department or first responders. This section is to be interpreted in conformance with that section as it may be amended from time to time.
- c. **SEPARATE ACCOUNT.** The Fire Department and First Responders shall be allowed to maintain a separate checking account and a separate savings account in the Fire Department’s and the First Responders name in the public depository authorized by the Village and each department shall have exclusive control over the expenditure of the funds subject to the limitations and requirements hereinafter set forth.

d. AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS FOR THE FUNDS.

- i. The Fire Department Treasurer and Fire Department Chief shall have the authority to deposit and withdraw funds from this separate checking or savings account. Each person shall have the authority separately to deposit funds into the accounts but both signatures shall be required for any withdrawals from the accounts.
- e. The First Responders Treasurer and First Responders Captain shall have the authority to deposit and withdraw funds from this separate checking or savings account. Each person shall have the authority separately to deposit funds into the accounts but both signatures shall be required for any withdrawals from the accounts.

f. LIMITATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

- i. Withdrawal of funds from the account(s) described in 5.c. shall not exceed \$25,000 for any one single withdrawal, unless otherwise approved by majority vote of the members of the Village board and the Town board, and majority vote of the members of the account holder – Fire Department or First Responders.
 - ii. Withdrawals and expenditures may be made for any legitimate purpose that promotes the ability of the Fire Department or First Responders to provide the services for which they were organized or otherwise provided for by their respective by-laws.
- g. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

- i. Accounting – The Fire Department and First Responders shall provide the Village Treasurer, quarterly, a Treasurer's report of the previous quarter's transactions no later than one week before the regularly scheduled joint quarterly meeting of the Town and the Village. The reports shall include an itemization of all receipts, expenditures, and the balance on hand at the end of the quarter.
- h. OWNERSHIP OF FUNDS. Pursuant to the authority granted under Wis. Stats. 66.0608(4), the funds collected and held in the account(s) described in 5.c. shall be considered to be owned by the Village and Town until the funds are disbursed.
- i. PENALTY PROVISION. Violation of any provision of this ordinance could result in elimination of the privileges granted under this ordinance. Any violation regarding the misuse or misappropriations of any Volunteer Funds shall result in the automatic elimination of the privileges granted under this ordinance.

SECTION 2: This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance of law.

SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such finding shall not affect the remaining portions hereof which shall remain in full force and effect.

ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

This 6th Day of December, 2023