

ORDINANCE 2025-2
ESTABLISHING FIRE CALL CHARGES
TOWN OF KINNICKINNIC

It is hereby ordained by the Town Board of the Town of Kinnickinnic, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, as follows:

Section 1. Authority:

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authority granted town boards under Wis. Stat. § 60.55(2)(b), which allows towns to recover the cost of fire calls made to property within the town.

This Ordinance replaces Ordinance 2010-3.

Section 2. Liability for Fire Protection Costs:

The Town of Kinnickinnic, St. Croix County, Wisconsin ("the Town") Resolution "Fee Schedule" is designated the written fire fee schedule for the Town under Wis. Stat. § 60.55(2)(b). The Resolution may be updated from time to time and shall be applicable in its version at the date of the particular fire call. Any emergency response by the fire department, regardless of the nature of the emergency, shall be considered a "fire call" in the context of this ordinance.

If the call is to real estate located within the Town, the charges shall be imposed on all owners of the real estate to which the particular fire call is made. In the event that a fire call is not made to real estate located within the Town, but is instead made to a vehicle located on a public road within the Town, the charges provided for under this ordinance shall be imposed on all owners of such vehicle.

Every property owner on whose property a fire is intentionally started for any purpose (example: brush control, grass control, old building, etc.) shall notify St. Croix County Non-Emergency Dispatch before such a fire is started, and shall allow such fires to burn only in accordance with instructions from County Dispatch. If such a fire burns out of control or instructions of St. Croix County Dispatch are not followed, the property owner shall be liable for all costs of any fire department response call.

Section 3. Payment of Fire Call Fee:

The fire call charges provided for in this ordinance shall be paid in full to the Clerk of the Town no later than 30 days after the date of the town invoice. Bills for fire calls to real estate that remain outstanding for more than 90 days as of November 1 of any year shall become a lien against the real estate and shall be placed on the tax roll as a delinquent special charge under Wis. Stat. § 66.0627.

Section 4. Liability for Fire Calls from Fire Departments Other than Authorized Fire Departments:

It is the policy of the Town to contract with the River Falls Rural Fire Association. Any property owner requesting fire protection directly from any fire department other than listed above shall be responsible for the full costs billed to the Town resulting from the fire call. This section shall not apply to the costs of any other department responding at the request of an authorized department under a mutual aid agreement.

Section 5. Severability:

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

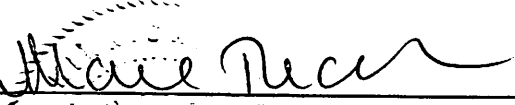
Section 6. Effective Date:

This ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication or posting, as provided by law, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 60.80.

Passed and Adopted July 1, 2025



Axel Bogdan, Town Board Chair

Attest: 

Nicky Thompson, Town Clerk

ORDINANCE CERTIFICATION

I, Nicky Thompson, being the Town Clerk of the Town of Kinnickinnic, St. Croix County, Wisconsin hereby certify that on July 1, 2025 Ordinance No. 2025-3 a true and accurate copy of which is attached, was duly enacted by the Town of Kinnickinnic, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, and entered into the Town of Kinnickinnic record books. This Ordinance was posted/published in the following locations: Town Hall Front Door, Town of Kinnickinnic Website, The Pierce County Journal.

Dated this 1st day of July, 2025
Nicky Thompson, Clerk

July 01, 2025