Chapter XIX- Fire Control

Section 19.55

Subject: Fire Inspection and Prevention Fee Schedule



An ordinance established and implementing a program to charge inspection rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services by the Lyons Township Fire Department for the services provided/rendered for the Town of Lyons Fire/EMS protection areas.

Fire Inspections and Fire Inspection Fees: It shall be the duty of the fire inspector(s) to inquire diligently as to the violation(s) of any ordinance or regulation relating to the prevention of fires, or their growth and spread, and report findings to the fire chief, who shall act as the Chief Fire Inspector, any condition that would hinder the preservation of life and property. If, in the opinion of the Fire Inspector, a condition exists that is deemed unsafe or unfit, he or she shall order the cause thereof removed or abated. If the cause is not removed or abated within the time constraints set forth by the inspector, the person(s) responsible for the correction of the cause shall be subject to penalties set forth in this chapter.

Fire Inspectors may enter into any enclosure or building in their jurisdiction, except for the interior of private dwellings, at proper times as often as may be necessary; but not less than twice a year, to execute the above-listed duties as they pertain to fire code compliance. The owner or occupant of any premises who refuses to permit, prevents, or interferes with entry into or upon any premises, or inspection activities themselves, by any inspector, shall be guilty of violating this chapter and shall be subject to penalties set forth in this chapter. If the business possesses a liquor license through the Town of Lyons and your dwelling does not get at minimum two fire inspections a year, your liquor license could possibly be revoked until inspection is complete.

If entry is denied to a public building or inspection of property as set forth in this code, the fire inspector may obtain a special inspection warrant under Wisconsin State Statute 66.0119.

Upon the complaint of any person or whenever they shall deem necessary, fire inspectors, may inspect any building or premises within their jurisdiction. The Fire Chief and any Fire Inspector can issue an order to vacate all occupants forthwith of any property, building, or area deemed unsafe and that presents a significant hazard to life or safety.

Any person who violates any provision of this section, or who fails to comply with any order made by a Fire Inspector within the time constraints set forth by the Fire Inspector, shall for each and every violation and noncompliance, be subject to a forfeiture of not less than ten dollars, and no more than one hundred dollars. In addition, if a Fire Inspector issues an order to correct a violation or condition, and said violation or condition is not corrected on a subsequent visit by a Fire Inspector, the Fire

Inspector shall have the power to issue re-inspection fees to the offending party. The re-inspection fee for non-compliance is as followed:

Second Re-inspection for violations not corrected	\$150.00
in time given	
Third re-inspection for violations not corrected in	\$200.00
time given	
Fourth re-inspection for violations not corrected	\$325.00
in time given	

If violations are not corrected by the fourth inspections, additional action may be taken which may include a possible loss of occupancy.

This subsection shall not be construed to hold the Town of Lyons or any of its officers, employees, or agents, including the Lyons Township Fire Department, its members, or any of its Fire Inspectors liable while discharging their duties in good faith and acting without malice by two reasons; (1) any inspection or re-inspections authorized herein, or (2) approval or disapproval of any condition noted on, in, or about any premises within its jurisdiction.

To compensate for inspection and administrative costs the following fee schedule will be implemented and charged to the owner or occupant of the property for any inspection by the Fire Inspector. Any fees that are unpaid by December 31st will be placed on the following years tax bill. The fees below are the total cost for the year. The annual Fire Inspection fee will be invoiced on or before July 31 of each year. Inspection fee amounts will be based off of the square footage of your building or your unit.

Square Footage	Fee
Under 2,500 square feet	\$80.00 per year
2,501 to 5,000 square feet	\$130.00 per year
5,001 to 25,000 square feet	\$180.00 per year
25,001 to 50,000 square feet	\$290.00 per year
50,001 to 75,000 square feet	\$370.00 per year
75,001 to 100,000 square feet	\$450.00 per year
100,001 to 125,000 square feet	\$530.00 per year
125,001 to 150,000 square feet	\$610.00 per year
More than 150,000 square feet	\$610.00 plus \$50.00 each additional 50,000
	square feet over 150,000

Signature:

This ordinance shall be effective after its passage and posting as required by law.

Attest:

Karla Hill, Town Clerk

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AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING A PROGRAM TO CHARGE MITIGATION RATES FOR THE DEPLOYMENT OF EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY SERVICES BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED/RENDERED FOR TOWN OF LYONS FIRE/EMS PROTECTION AREAS.

FIRE INSPECTIONS AND FIRE INSPECTIONS FEES: It shall be the duty of the fire inspector to inquire diligently as to the violation of any ordinance or regulation relating to the prevention of fires, or their growth and spread, and report findings to the fire chief, who shall act as chief fire inspector, any condition that would hinder the preservation of life and property. If, in the opinion of the fire inspector, a condition exists that is deemed unsafe or unfit, he or she shall order the cause thereof removed or abated. If the cause is not removed or abated within the time constraints set forth by the fire inspector, the person(s) responsible for the correction of the cause shall be subject to penalties set forth in this chapter.

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If entry is denied to a public building or inspection of property as set forth in this code, the fire inspector may obtain a special inspection warrant under the Wisconsin Statutes.

Upon the complaint of any person or whenever they shall deem necessary, fire inspectors may inspect any building or premises within their jurisdiction. The fire chief and any fire inspector can issue an order to vacate all occupants forthwith of any property, building or area deemed unsafe that presents a significant life or safety hazard.

Any person who violates any provision of this section, or who fails to comply with any order made by a fire inspector /ithin the time constraints set forth by a fire inspector, shall for each and every violation and noncompliance be subject to a forfeiture of not less than ten dollars, and no more than one hundred dollars. In addition, if a fire inspector issues orders to correct a violation or condition, and said violation or condition is not corrected on a subsequent visit by a fire inspector, the fire inspector shall have the power to issue re-inspection fees to the offending party.

This subsection shall not be construed to hold the Town of Lyons or any of its officers, employees or agents, including the Town of Lyons Fire Department, its members, or any of its inspectors liable while discharging their duties in good faith and acting without malice, by reason of (1) any inspection or re-inspection authorized herein, or (2) approval or disapproval of any condition noted on, in, or about any premises within its jurisdiction.

To compensate for inspection and administrative costs, a fee of \$40.00 will be charged to the owner or occupant of property for any inspection by the fire inspector. Inspection fees that are unpaid by December 31st will be placed on the following year tax bill.

This ordinance shall be effective after its passage and posting as required by law.

Signature:

Attest:

Dated 5/9/2023 Karla Hill, Clerk