# TOWN OF DRAMMEN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FIRE PROTECTION CHARGES

Whereas, 1993 Wisconsin Act 532 authorizes towns to charge property owners a portion of all the costs of fire protection,

Whereas, it is in the public interest of the Town of Drammen to charge the costs of such protection to property owners,

Now therefore, the Town of Drammen does ordain as follows:

## **SECTION 1 – STATE AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to Section 60.55, 60.555 and 60.557 of Wisconsin Statutes, the Town of Drammen, Eau Claire County hereby establishes the following property and procedure for the payment of fire costs incurred by the Town of Drammen.

## **SECTION 2 – LIABILITY FOR FIRE PROTECTION COSTS**

The property owners of real estate and personal property which is used within the Town of Drammen for which fire protection is provided, shall be responsible for the full cost of fire runs made to their property. It is the policy of the Town of Drammen to contract with the fire department of the City of Mondovi. In cases of a careless act not by the property owner, charges will be determined the Town of Drammen Board.

## **SECTION 3 – BILLING AND PAYMENT PROCEDURE**

The cost of fire calls as outlined above shall be billed by the town clerk to the property owner and paid to the town treasurer within 60 days of the date of the bill. The failure to pay the bill within 60 days will result in interest being charged at the rate of 1 ½ percent per month from the date of the billing. Those bills remaining outstanding, including interest, for more than 90 days as of November 1 of any year, shall become a lien against real estate from which fire protection was provided and shall be placed on the tax roll as a delinquent special charge pursuant to the Section 66.60 of Wisconsin Statutes.

<u>Burning Permit Information</u> – Burning Permits may be obtained by calling a current board member and by calling the following phone numbers – **Mondovi Fire Dept 715-926-4901** and the **Fire Chief** – **715-495-2805**. No burning on Sundays and from Midnight to 8:00 A.M. in incinerators, garbage barrels or open burning. All fires must be attended while an open flame exists.

## **SECTION 4 – EFFECTIVE DATE**

May 8, 2017 Edward Risler, Chairman Mark Zuber, Clerk