ORDINANCE NO. 17

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO FURNISH FIRE PROTECTION OUTSIDE THE CITY LIMITS AND PRESCRIBING THE TERMS UPON WHICH SUCH PROTECTION WILL BE FURNISHED.

WHEREAS, the city desires to aid in protecting property in surrounding territory from fires; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are authorized by statute to send fire department equipment and personnel outside municipal limits and collect a charge for this service;

THE CITY COUNCIL OF NEVIS, MINNESOTA ORDAINS:

Section 1. When any property owner, association of property owners, insurance company or society, or political subdivision enters into a contract by such person, persons, organization or political subdivision, and agrees to pay for such services at the rates prescribed, the city clerk shall inform the chief of the fire department of such agreement, and thereafter the department shall go outside the city limits to answer fire calls or alarms from such property or properties, but in no case shall the fire department send apparatus to such property if the fire chief or other individuals in charge of the fire department at the time decides that it is needed for local service and in no case shall it send more equipment or men than is anticipated in the agreement.

Section 2. The rates to be charged for such service shall be those fixed from time to time by resolution of the council.

Section 3. When any service hereunder has been rendered, the fire department shall immediately thereafter make a record of the time and place, the apparatus used, and the number of men responding to the alarm and the time each served, and shall notify the city clerk thereof. The clerk shall thereafter bill the responsible party or parties for the amount of such services; provided that when a bill remains unpaid for a period of ninty (90) days and no satisfactory settlement is made thereon, the clerk shall notify the chief of the department who shall forthwith remove such name and property from the list to be served and no further service shall be rendered thereto or thereon until reinstated by such payment and further agreement.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication.

Passed by the City Council this 11th day of October, 1977.

Clifford Lof, Mayor

Attest:

Maureen K. Cirks, Clerk