

ORDINANCE NO 27 (Revised)

An ordinance providing for the establishment and government of a volunteer fire department for the City of Finlayson, Pine County, Minnesota;

Be it ordained by the city council of the City of Finlayson, Minnesota that to better protect the lives and property of its citizens, a department to be hereafter known as the Finlayson Volunteer Fire department is hereby created. Its object shall be the prevention of fire and the preservation and protection of life and property from and during such fires as may occur.

Section 1: The department shall be equipped with such apparatus and accessories as may be required from time to time to maintain its efficiency.

Section 2: All of the equipment of the department shall be safely and conveniently housed in such station or stations as may be designated by the said city council.

Section 3: The department shall be composed of not less than fifteen (15) active members and as many in excess of fifteen (15) as may be deemed necessary for the adequate protection of the community.

Section 4: The operation officers of the department shall be a chief and captain, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary for the effective operation of the department.

Section 5: The department shall be subject to the city council.

Section 6: The chief shall render to the city council a quarterly report of the department's activities.

Section 7: The chief shall call the department together at least once each month for the purpose of conducting suitable drills in the operation and handling of equipment, first aid and rescue work, salvage, a study of buildings in the city, and all other matters generally accepted as having a bearing upon good firemanship.

Section 8: Any citizen served with an order to abate any fire hazard or hazards, shall comply with said order and promptly notify the chief.

Section 9: No unauthorized person shall ride upon, race with, trail or follow within 600 feet any apparatus belonging to the fire department when actively responding to a fire alarm.

Section 10: No person shall drive any vehicle over a fire hose except upon specific orders from the chief of department and then only with due caution.

Section 11: No person shall park any vehicle of any description, or place any material or obstruction within fifteen feet of any fire hydrant or fire cistern, nor park any vehicle within three hundred feet of a fire.

Section 12; No person shall maliciously sound a false alarm.

Section 13: No person or persons shall use any fire apparatus or equipment for any private purpose, nor shall any person willfully and without property authority remove, take away, keep, or conceal any tool, appliance, or other articles, used in any way by the fire department.

Section 14: Any person violating the provisions of sections 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, or 15 shall, upon conviction pay a fine of not less than \$10.00 or more than \$100.00

Section 15; Charges for services; This City of Finlayson, under Minn. Stat. 415.04 and Minn Stat 366.011 may charge the person receiving emergency services as per determined by the City of Finlayson Ordinance 155 which is determined at the beginning of every year and may be amended by resolution during the course of the year. The City of Finlayson, under Minn. Stat. 366.012 and Minn. Stat. 415.01, may certify any delinquent charges against real property owned by said person anywhere in the state of Minnesota.

Revised and approved this 13th day of May, 2024.



David Auchter
Mayor



Shelly Goodman
City Clerk