

CITY OF GAYLORD

PUBLIC NOTICE

FIRE DEPARTMENT BILLING ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday March 7, 2011 at 6:30 p.m., the Gaylord City Council will hold a Public Hearing in the Council Chambers at the Gaylord City Hall for the purpose of discussing the proposed fire department billing procedures ordinance, Ordinance 291. A summary of the ordinance is listed below. A copy of the full ordinance is available at City Hall or on www.exploreGaylord.org.

ORD. 291 – FIRE DEPARTMENT FIRE CALL BILLING PROCEDURES SUMMARY

- **Motor Vehicles Definition** includes snowmobiles and ATVs
 - **Parties Affected** property owners in city, individuals receiving fire service due to accident, and property owners in townships to which the city provides fire service
 - **Fire Calls** will be based on city fee schedule (currently \$1,000 for 2 hours). The city reserves the right to bill beyond the standard fire call charge for its costs and expenses for calls over 2 hours. No charge for calls canceled en route.
 - **Supplies and Hazardous Materials** the city has the right to bill for supplies used and hazardous material spills
 - **Ambulance charge** the city will bill separately if an ambulance is needed
 - **Accidents** will be billed to each party per the fee schedule (currently \$500 to each party). The city reserves the right to bill beyond the standard charge for its costs and expenses for calls over 2 hours.
 - **False alarms** will not be billed for first two false alarms in 12 month period. Third false alarm in 12 month period will result in \$500 charge.
 - **Billing** all parties will be billed whether or not the fire service is covered by insurance. The bill must be paid within 90 days or else the city will pursue legal action and/or certify unpaid fire bills to county assessor for collection with property taxes
 - **Application of Collections to Budget** All collected fire charges will be city funds and used to offset the expenses of the City Fire Department
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Written comments may be submitted prior the Public Hearing at the office of the City Administrator, 332 Main Avenue.

Kevin McCann
City Administrator

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