

ORDINANCE NO. 2-19

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF SAFETY AND SERVICE TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PORTAGE TOWNSHIP TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES WITHIN PORTAGE TOWNSHIP, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Port Clinton has been notified that its contract with North Central EMS to provide emergency ambulance services to the City and the adjoining Townships of Bay and Portage will not be renewed for service in July of 2019; and

WHEREAS, since receiving North Central EMS's notice of non-renewal the City has proceeded to form its own emergency ambulance service operations within its Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Trustees of Portage Township have met and negotiated the terms of an Emergency Medical and Ambulance Service Agreement (the "Agreement") pursuant to which the City will provide Emergency Ambulance Services to the Township, a copy of which Agreement has been provided to members of Council; and

WHEREAS, the City has been informed that the Trustees of Portage Township have approved the terms of the Agreement and are ready to sign the Agreement upon its approval by this Council; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines that the Agreement is fair and equitable to the City and is in the best interests of the City in its operation and provision of emergency ambulance services, and that the Agreement should be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE be it ordained by the Council of the City of Port Clinton, County of Ottawa and State of Ohio:

Section 1. That the Director of Public Safety and Service is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the Agreement with the Board of Trustees of Portage Township for the provision of emergency ambulance services to the Township, its residents and visitors, in substantial compliance with the terms of the Agreement on file in his office, with such changes and modifications, and upon such additional terms and conditions as he determines are in the best interests of the City, provided such additional terms and conditions are not materially adverse to the City.

Section 2. That the City's cost of performing the Agreement will be paid from the Fire Levy Fund.

Section 3. This Council finds and determines that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any Committees that resulted in these formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with the law.

Section 4. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents, and for the further reason that the City needs to finalize the operations of its Emergency Ambulance Services through the Fire Department and entering in to the Agreement is a component of determining the overall operational and staffing needs of the EMS Services, therefore it is necessary for this legislation to take effect immediately, wherefore, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor.

Passed: _____, 2019

President of Council

Attest: _____

Clerk of Council

Approved: _____, 2019

Mayor