

Ann Clark

From: Patty Gambill
Sent: Wednesday, May 22, 2019 2:15 PM
To: Ann Clark; Barbara McCoy
Subject: June 3 BOC agenda item
Attachments: ambulance franchise ordinance 2020 combined draft.docx

Ann,

Can you please place this ambulance franchise ordinance on the June 3 agenda? This effectively adds Laurel Springs VFRD as an ambulance provider, removes Helton Ambulance as a provider and extends the existing franchises to coincide with the end date of the EMS contract with Ashe Medics in 2024.

Thanks,
Patty

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North Carolina
Ashe County

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashe County, North Carolina, that Ashe Medics be granted a franchise to operate an ambulance service within the County of Ashe pursuant to Contract and Agreement entered into by and between the Board of County Commissioners of Ashe County and the said Ashe Medics beginning at noon, June 30, 2019, for a period of five years, ending at noon, June 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Ashe County Rescue Squad, Inc. be granted a franchise to operate an ambulance service to provide backup or emergency services for Ashe Medics within the County of Ashe. The franchise shall be granted for a period of five years, beginning at noon, June 30, 2019 and ending at noon, June 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Fleetwood Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department be granted a franchise to operate an ambulance service to provide backup or emergency services for Ashe Medics. The franchise shall be granted for a period of five years, beginning at noon, June 30, 2019 and ending at noon, June 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Warrensville Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department be granted a franchise to operate an ambulance service to provide backup or emergency services for Ashe Medics. The franchise shall be granted for a period of five years, beginning at noon, June 30, 2019 and ending at noon, June 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that Laurel Springs Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department be granted a franchise to operate an ambulance service to provide backup or emergency services for Ashe Medics. The franchise shall be granted for a period of five years, beginning at noon, June 30, 2019 and ending at noon, June 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT the rates that may be charged by Ashe Medics are contained in a contract between Ashe Medics and the County of Ashe. Volunteer organizations granted a franchise under this ordinance may not charge for their services without the express written permission of the Ashe County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all organizations granted a franchise under this ordinance must participate in quality management activities and abide by all protocols set forth in the mandated EMS Plan developed and maintained by the County.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all organizations granted a franchise under this ordinance must maintain a minimum of one million dollars liability insurance and one million dollars medical malpractice insurance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that these franchises may not be sold, assigned or transferred nor may it in any way be vested in any person, firm, or corporation, other than the franchisee and any such sale, transfer or assignment shall cause said franchise to terminate immediately at the option of Ashe County.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any change in legal or equitable ownership of Franchisee or its corporate shares, shall immediately terminate said franchise, at the option of Ashe County.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that it is unlawful for any ambulance service to operate within the County of Ashe without a franchise granted by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashe County; and that violation of this ordinance shall be a misdemeanor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances adopted heretofore by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashe County with respect to ambulance franchises be, and the same are, hereby repealed and rescinded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman and Clerk of said Ashe County Board of Commissioners be, and they, thereby authorized and directed to execute said Contracts and Agreements for and on behalf of said Board of County Commissioners of Ashe County.

Duly adopted this 3rd day of June, 2019 after being approved by first reading on June 3, 2019.

Todd McNeill, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ann J. Clark, MMC, NCMCC
Clerk to the Board