

North Carolina
Ashe County

AMENDMENT TO
COUNTY EMS FRANCHISE ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED that the Ashe County EMS Franchise Ordinance is hereby amended to grant Pond Mountain Volunteer Fire & Rescue Department a franchise to operate an ambulance service that will provide backup or emergency services for Ashe Medics within the County of Ashe. The franchise shall be granted for a period of four and a half years, beginning at noon, January 21, 2020, and ending at noon, June 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT 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 they 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 RESOLVED that the Chairman and Clerk of said Ashe County Board of Commissioners be, and they are 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 6th day of January, 2020, after being approved by first reading on December 16, 2019.

Todd McNeill, Chairman
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

Ann Clark, MMC, NCCCC
Clerk to the Board