

**TOWNSHIP OF BIRCH RUN
SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**Birch Run Township
Resolution to Update the Fee Schedule for Birch Run Township Fire Runs
Resolution #2024-16**

At a Regular Meeting of the Birch Run Township Board, Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, held at the Township Meeting Room on the 12th day of November 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

PRESENT: Watts, K. Kiessler, Letterman, Sheridan, D. Trinklein Jr., R. Kiessler, C. Trinklein,
ABSENT: None

The following resolution was made by Kurt Kiessler and seconded by Chris Watts:

WHEREAS, the Township shall be entitled to recover all assessable costs in connection with a public safety or fire emergency incident from any responsible parties jointly or severally; and

WHEREAS, the Township Fire Department shall determine the total assessable costs and shall, in consultation with other Township personnel involved in responding to a public safety or fire emergency incident, determine whether to assess any, all or part of such costs against any of the parties responsible; and

WHEREAS, in making such determination, the following shall be considered:

- a. The total assessable costs;
- b. The risk and public safety or fire emergency incident imposed on the Township, its residents and their property;
- c. Whether there was any injury or damage to person or property;
- d. Whether the public safety or fire emergency incident required evacuation;
- e. The extent the public safety or fire emergency incident required an unusual or extraordinary use of Township personnel and equipment, and
- f. Whether there was any damage to the environment; and

WHEREAS, after determining to assess assessable costs against a party responsible, the Township Fire Department shall submit a report to the contracted billing service provider selected by the Township Board, and

WHEREAS, in the event that said costs are not paid, the Township may take whatever collection steps may be deemed appropriate, including the placement of all such charges on the tax roll for said property and to levy and collect such costs in the same manner as provided for the levy and collection of real property taxes against such property, and

WHEREAS, the Township Board wishes to only bill non-township residents, and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Township of Birch Run shall set the fee schedule for Birch Run Township Fire Runs as follows:

- All vehicles involved will be billed at an amount of no less than \$500.00.
- At which point the cost of the fire run exceeds \$500.00/vehicle, the Fire Department may itemize and charge each vehicle involved for the equipment, personnel, labor, and vehicles used are as follows:
 - Staff Vehicles \$50.00/vehicle/hour
 - Utility Vehicles \$75.00/vehicle/hour
 - Rescue Vehicles \$125.00/vehicle/hour
 - Water Vehicles \$150.00/vehicle/hour
 - Pumpers- All Types \$250.00/vehicle/hour
 - Aerial Ladders \$350.00/vehicle/hour
- Additional costs associated with staff and manpower added to the flat fee are as follows:
Manpower costs = # of Personnel x Hourly Wage x Portion of Hours Engaged.
- Additional costs associated with staff standby on Weekends for Special Events are as follows:
Manpower costs = # of Personnel x 1.5x Hourly Wage
- If a Township Landowner/Tenant fails to obtain a Burning Permit through the Township Office and the Fire Department is required to control the fire, a \$100.00 fee will be levied against the individual along with all other costs occurred in fighting the fire.

CERTIFICATION

ADOPTED

YEAS: Watts, K. Kiessling, Letterman, Sheridan, D. Trinklein Jr., R. Kiessling, C. Trinklein,

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

State of Michigan, County of Saginaw,

I, the undersigned Township Clerk for the Township of Birch Run, Saginaw County, Michigan, certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Township of Birch Run on the 12th day of November 2024, and was recorded in full in the Minutes of the Meeting of the Township Board of Trustees on said date.

Dated: 11.13.2024

Riley Kiessling, Clerk