

Town of Island Falls Fire Department Ordinance

ARTICLE I

TITLE, PURPOSE, AUTHORITY, DEFINITIONS

SECTION 101-TITLE

This ordinance shall be known as the Town of Island Falls Fire Department Ordinance.

SECTION 102-PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish in the manner provided by law a municipal fire department, and to define the powers and duties of the chiefs of this department. The further purpose of this ordinance is to provide the maximum legal protection available to the department chiefs and municipal fire fighters, and to best protect the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of Island Falls.

SECTION 103-AUTHORITY

This ordinance is enacted pursuant to M.R.S.A. 30-A ss2001 et seq., ss3001 et seq., and ss3151 et seq.

SECTION 104-DEFINITIONS

104.1 MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENT-

A municipal fire department means an organized fire fighting unit established pursuant to this ordinance.

104.2 MUNICIPAL FIRE FIGHTERS-

A municipal fire fighter shall mean an active member, whether a full time, part time, or on call, of a municipal fire department, who aids in the extinguishment of fires or an individual who receives compensation from the municipality for aiding in the extinguishment of fires and is at least 18 years of age.

ARTICLE II

MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENT

SECTION 201-ESTABLISHMENT

There shall be a Municipal Fire Department which is hereby established by this ordinance.

SECTION 202-DUTIES

The Municipal Fire Department shall provide firefighting protection within the Town of Island Falls elsewhere as provided by mutual aid or other contractual agreement approved by the Municipal Officers.

SECTION 203-FIRE CHIEF

203.1 APPOINTMENT

The head of the Municipal Fire Department shall be the Fire Chief, who shall be appointed by the Selectmen.

203.2 TERMS, COMPENSATION

The Fire Chief shall be appointed by the Municipal Officers for a term of 1 year. The compensation of the Fire Chief shall be established by the Municipal Legislative Body.

203.3 POWERS AND DUTIES

(a) The fire Chief shall have the powers and duties established by M.R.S.A 30-A ss3153 as amended, except that administrative rules and regulations promulgated by the Fire Chief shall not be effective until approved by the Selectmen.

(b) The Fire Chief shall submit a written monthly report on the activities of the department and shall discharge such other duties as may be required by the Selectmen.

203.4 POWERS AND DUTIES

Municipal firefighters shall have the powers and duties set forth in M.R.S.A 30-A ss3151 et Seq. and set forth in any rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Section 203.3 (a) above.

203.5 DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

A Deputy Fire Chief may be appointed by the Selectmen to act with full authority of the Fire Chief in absence of the Fire Chief in any emergency or activity of the Municipal Fire Department.

203.6 OTHER OFFICERS

The Fire Chief may appoint with the Selectmen's approval, other officers necessary or required by the Standard Operating Procedures of the Municipal Fire Department.

203.7 PRIVILEGES, IMMUNITIES

Members of the Municipal Fire Department shall enjoy the privileges and immunities provided by the Maine Tort Claims Act when acting their capacity as firefighters.

ARTICLES III
SEVERABILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 301-SEVERABILITY

The invalidity of any portion of this ordinance shall not invalidate any other part thereof. Passage of this ordinance shall invalidate and supersede all other Fire Dept. Ordinances.

SECTION 302-EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective on its adoption at Town Meeting. March 22, 2010.

Adopted 3/22/10

Certification of Ordinance by Municipal Officers

This certifies to the municipal clerk of the Town of Island Falls that the within ordinance is a true copy of an ordinance entitled "Town of Island Falls Fire Department Ordinance", to be acted upon by the voters at a town meeting to be held on March, 22, 2010.

Dated: 2/11, 2010

Municipal Officers of Island Falls

George Clamess

W. Lopez

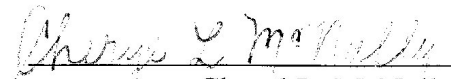
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James D. Hennessey

Ordinance Certification

I, Cheryl L. McNally, the duly appointed Town Clerk for the Town of Island Falls, hereby certify pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. §3006 that the attached are true and accurate copies of the "Town of Island Falls Fire Department Ordinance" of the Town of Island Falls, Maine.

Dated: 2/11, 2010


Cheryl L. McNally
Town Clerk