

Borough of Fawn Grove, Pennsylvania

Ordinance No.: 2008-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF FAWN GROVE , YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, RECOGNIZING AND DESIGNATING CITIZENS' VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY AS THE PRIVIARY PROVIDER OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN FAWN GROVE BOROUGH.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Fawn Grove ("Borough") has a responsibility for the public safety of its citizens and visitors who reside in, work in, or are present within the Borough limits; and,

WHEREAS, The Borough finds that the purposes of the Pennsylvania Emergency Medical Services Act, namely promoting the health and safety of its residents and visitors, would be best be served by designating a primary provider of emergency advanced and basic life support ambulance services in the Borough; and,

WHEREAS, The Borough finds that the provider designated herein will best satisfy the goals of prompt response times, and providing advanced and basic life support ambulance services with trained personnel who undergo continuing training and education and who utilize necessary and appropriate equipment; and,

WHEREAS, The Borough finds that designating the primary advanced life support ambulance provider named herein will facilitate effective Borough oversight and accountability of emergency advanced and basic life support ambulance services provided within the Borough.

NOW THEREFORE, be it Resolved by the Borough of Fawn Grove, and by the authority of the same that:

SECTION I. AMBULANCE SERVICE RECOGNIZED AND DESIGNATED

Citizens' Volunteer Fire Company, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, with its principal place of business in Fawn Grove, Pennsylvania, being duly licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Health as an advanced life support ambulance service, and operating from a station in Fawn Grove, is hereby recognized and designated as the primary provider of basic and advanced life support ambulance and emergency medical services for the Borough of Fawn Grove.

SECTION II. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The Borough has made this designation after consideration of relevant principles under the Pennsylvania Emergency Medical Services Act, 35 P.S. 6921, et seq. ("EMS Act"), and the authority of a municipality to make this designation. The Borough's selection of Citizens' Volunteer Fire Company as the primary provider for the Borough is wholly consistent with the purposes set forth in the EMS Act; to prevent premature death and to reduce suffering and disability that may arise from a critical illness or injury, to provide for a consistent and uniform emergency medical services system, and to respond to emergencies as timely as possible.

It is the intent of the Borough, through the designation of Citizens' Volunteer Fire Company as the primary provider for the Borough, to provide the Borough with an effective, efficient and reliable emergency medical services system, including advanced and basic life support emergency medical care and 911 services, that are equally accessible in a timely fashion to residents and visitors of the Borough.

SECTION III. EFFECT OF DESIGNATION

Citizens' Volunteer Fire Company, as the primary provider of advanced and basic life support emergency medical services for the Borough, shall be the first-due EMS responder for all emergencies requiring advanced life support care, treatment or transportation in the Borough.

The Borough, consistent with its authority under Pennsylvania law to make the designation of a primary ambulance provider, hereby officially directs the York County 911 Communications Center:

- 1) To dispatch Citizens' Volunteer Fire Company as the first-due provider for all advanced and basic life support ambulance emergencies within the Borough limits.
- 2) In the event that Citizens' Volunteer Fire Company for any reason has not initiated a response for an advanced and/or basic life support ambulance call within seven (7) minutes, or has notified the dispatch center that it is unavailable, Delta Cardiff, the second due advanced/basic life support ambulance should be dispatched.
- 3) In the event that the second due provider designated above is not available or does not initiate a response within seven (7) minutes, the next closest basic and/or advanced life support services shall be dispatched accordingly.

SECTION III. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately.

PASSED by the Borough of Fawn, Pennsylvania, on the 5th day of MAY, 2008.

Monica Reinsfelder
Witness
ATTORNEY - SECRETARY

John M. Follen
[Insert Name and Title]
PRESIDENT

APPROVED the 5th day of MAY, 2008.

Witness

[Signature]
[Insert Name and Title]
MAYOR