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ORDINANCE NO. 9A-16BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
JAMES CITY COUNTY
VIRGINIA

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REORDAIN CHAPTER 9, FIRE PROTECTION, OF THE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF JAMES CITY, VIRGINIA, BY AMENDING THE TITLE OF THE CHAPTER TO FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES; BY AMENDING THE TITLE OF ARTICLE III, ADMINISTRATIVE FEES TO FEES, AND BY ADDING SECTION 9-14, SERVICE CHARGE FOR TRANSPORT BY COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES VEHICLE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of James City, Virginia, that Chapter 9, Fire Protection and Emergency Services, Article III, Fees, is hereby amended and reordained by adding Section 9-14, Service charge for transport by county emergency medical services vehicle.

Chapter 9. Fire Protection *and Emergency Services*

Article III. Administrative Fees

Section 9-14. Service charge for transport by county emergency medical services vehicle.

(a) *Definitions.* The following definitions shall apply to this section:

Advanced life support, level 1 (ALS1). Services shall be medical treatment or procedures provided to a patient beyond the scope of an Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (EMT) as defined by the National EMS Education and Practice Blueprint.

Advanced life support, level 2 (ALS2). Services shall be defined as advanced life support (ALS) services provided to a patient including one or more of the following medical procedures: (i) defibrillation/cardioversion, (ii) endotracheal intubation, (iii) cardiac pacing, (iv) chest decompression, (v) intraosseous line, and/or (vi) the administration of three or more medications.

Basic life support (BLS). Services shall be medical treatment or procedures to a patient as defined by the National Emergency Medicine Services (EMS) Education and Practice Blueprint for the Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (EMT).

Emergency medical services vehicle. Shall have the definition specified in Virginia Code section 32.1-111.1.

Ground transport mileage (GTM). Mileage shall be assessed in statute miles from the Fire/EMS response zone of the incident to a hospital or other facility where a patient is transported.

(b) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (e) of this section, a service charge for BLS, ALS1, ALS2, and for ground transport mileage is imposed on each person being transported by any emergency medical services vehicle that is operated or maintained by the county or for which a permit has been issued to the county by the Virginia Office of Emergency Medical Services. The funds received from the payment of this fee shall be paid into the general fund of the county to aid in defraying the cost of providing such service.

(c) The county administrator is hereby authorized and directed to establish rules and regulations for the administration of the charges imposed by this section, including, but not limited to, payment standards for those persons who demonstrate economic hardship.

(d) The county administrator is hereby authorized and directed to establish rates for mileage and for each level of transport within the county budget document each year.

(e) No charge shall be imposed on persons in the following instances:

(1) Persons determined to be medically indigent by the county in accordance with administrative policies established by the county administrator;

(2) Persons in the custody of the sheriff of James City County;

(3) Persons in the custody of the police department;

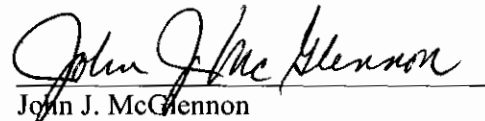
(4) During times of a declared local emergency when the county administrator has suspended the collection of EMS charges;

(5) Employees and volunteers transported from a county work site for work related injury or illness.

(f) The James City Volunteer Rescue Squad and the James City-Bruton Volunteer Fire Department will receive a proportional share of the actual revenue received from patients transported by EMS vehicles owned by the James City Volunteer Rescue Squad. The proportional share shall be determined each year as part of the county budget.

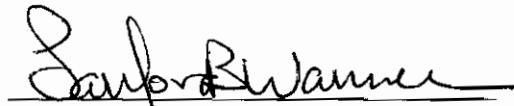
State law reference - Code of Va., § 32.1-111.14.

This ordinance shall become effective July 1, 2007.



John J. McGlennon
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:



Sanford B. Wanner
Clerk to the Board

<u>SUPERVISOR</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRISON	AYE
BRADSHAW	AYE
GOODSON	AYE
ICENHOUR	AYE
MCLENNON	AYE

Adopted by the Board of Supervisors of James City County, Virginia, this 24th day of April, 2007.

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