

The Board of Trustees of Hamilton Township, County of Warren, Ohio, met at a regular session at 6:00 p.m. on October 2, 2025 at Hamilton Township, Warren County, Ohio, with the following Trustees present:

Joseph P. Rozzi – Trustee, *Chair*
Darryl Cordrey – Trustee, *Vice Chair*
Mark Sousa – Trustee

Mr. Rozzi introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, WARREN COUNTY, OHIO
RESOLUTION NUMBER 25-1002C**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING REASONABLE CHARGES FOR
THE USE OF HAMILTON TOWNSHIP FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code 505.84 empowers the Hamilton Township Board of Trustees to establish reasonable charges for the use of Hamilton Township fire and rescue services, ambulance services, or emergency services (collectively, the “Services”);

WHEREAS, for purposes of this Resolution, Services shall include basic life support, advanced life support, ambulance transport, and any other emergency services provided by the Hamilton Township Division of Fire and Emergency Services (“HT Fire & EMS”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined it is necessary and appropriate to establish reasonable charges for the use of HT Fire & EMS Services pursuant to this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Hamilton Township, Warren County, State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Subject to the other provisions of this Resolution, Hamilton Township shall impose monetary charges for Services provided by HT Fire & EMS to both residents and non-residents on and after the effective date of this Resolution. The initial charges for Services shall be consistent with Hamilton Township’s Services billing rates established under the Township’s current contract with third-party billing services provider, Medicount Management, Inc. (“Medicount”).

Section 2. Following the effective date of this Resolution, the HT Fire & EMS Chief shall be empowered to adjust Services charges on an annual basis, in consultation with the Township Administrator and Medicount. Any adjustment in Services charges shall be based on the Township’s actual costs to provide the Services, inflation, and/or customary Services billing rates in the region. Within thirty (30) days of the effective date of an adjustment in Services charges, the HT Fire & EMS Chief shall present the

adjusted charges to the Board of Trustees, along with an explanation for the adjustment.

Section 3. In no event shall the charge to non-residents for ambulance transportation Services be an amount less than the authorized Medicare reimbursement rate.

Section 4. The HT Fire & EMS Chief, in consultation with the Township Administrator, shall be entitled to waive all or part of any Services charge for any resident where good cause exists for such waiver. "Good cause" for a waiver of charges shall include, but shall not be limited to, proof that the billed resident is an "indigent person," as defined by R.C. 9.15. The HT Fire & EMS Chief shall establish rules and procedures for waiving Services charges, or any portion thereof, pursuant to this Section 4.

Section 5. The HT Fire & EMS Chief, in consultation with the Township Administrator and Medicount, and based on all circumstances surrounding the applicable call for Services (including but not limited to the collectability of charges), shall have discretion to bill the Services charges established by this Resolution to:

- (i) The person who received the Services in his/her capacity as a patient;
- (ii) The insurance carrier of the patient;
- (iii) The person, facility, hospital, or other entity charged with care of the patient and who requested the Services on the patient's behalf;
- (iv) The person, facility, hospital, or other entity serving as legal guardian for the patient; or
- (v) Any combination of the persons or entities listed in Sections 5(i)-(iv) (provided, the Township shall not collect the charges from multiple persons or entities in a manner which would allow collection of monies exceeding the full amount of the original charges).

Section 6. Nothing in this Resolution shall be interpreted as prohibiting or preventing any person who receives a bill for Services charges from submitting the bill to the patient's insurance carrier; provided, the original recipient of the bill shall only be relieved of paying for charges to the extent charges are paid by the insurance carrier.

Section 7. Any and all legislation previously adopted by the Board of Trustees and in conflict with any provision set forth in this Resolution is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 8. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 9. This Resolution shall be effective from the earliest date permitted by law.

Mr. Cordrey seconded the Resolution and the following being called upon the question of its adoption, the vote resulted as follows:

Joseph P. Rozzi –	Aye <u>✓</u>	Nay _____
Mark Sousa –	Aye <u>✓</u>	Nay _____
Darryl Cordrey –	Aye <u>✓</u>	Nay _____

Resolution adopted this 2nd day of October, 2025.

Attest:

Leah Elliott
Leah Elliott, *Fiscal Officer*

Approved as to form:

Sarah J. Sparks
Sarah J. Sparks, *Law Director*

I, Leah M. Elliott, Fiscal Officer of Hamilton Township, Warren County, Ohio, hereby certify that this is a true and accurate copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Board of Trustees of Hamilton Township, County of Warren, Ohio, at its regularly scheduled meeting on October 2, 2025.

Date: 10/2/2025

Leah Elliott
Leah M. Elliott, *Fiscal Officer*