BILL 2012-11

****** Second and Final Reading ******

MEMO

To: Mayor & City Council

From: Corey Sloan, Chief of Police

Date: February 13, 2012

Re: EMS Dispatching Fees and Contract renewal

Issue:

In 2011 the Cameron Police Department and Cameron Ambulance District reviewed the current fee for dispatching of emergency medical services. The Cameron City Council and Cameron Ambulance District Board of Directors agreed, in February 2011, to a fee of $20,653.49 that would be evaluated in one year (February 2012).

A review of dispatching emergency services was conducted in February 2012 and it showed that the three year average for dispatching emergency medical services was approximately 7.54%. This is based on a quantitative representation of calls for service dispatched by the communications center.

However, the figures (7.31%) used are based on the 2011 calls for service only. This was used based on terms agreed upon by the City of Cameron and the Cameron Ambulance District during negotiations to purchase the Ambulance District's portion of the public safety building. A current cost analysis was conducted and it showed that the actual cost for dispatching the Cameron Ambulance District was approximately $19,608.97 annually.

This decreased figure is based on the increasing calls for service of the police department, fire department and the payoff of the public safety building in 2011. The Cameron Ambulance District Board of Directors reviewed the study at their February 13, 2012 board meeting and is in agreement.

Recommendation:

Review and approve the current costs of dispatching the Cameron Ambulance District. Enter into a one-year contract with the Cameron Ambulance District for dispatching EMS calls for service.

Bill 2012-11

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE CAMERON AMBULANCE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE DISPATCH SERVICES BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH CENTER OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron has provided dispatch services for the Cameron Ambulance District for the last six years. The current negotiated and contracted rate is $20,653.49 annually. The current contract requires the cost of dispatch services to be reviewed at the end of a one year period (February 2012); and

WHEREAS, the current cost of all dispatch services is $268,248.58. It has been determined that 7.31% of the emergency and non-emergency dispatch calls in 2011 were EMS/Ambulance District related; and

WHEREAS, the current EMS/Ambulance District annual cost to dispatch emergency and non-emergency calls for service is $ 19,608.97; and

WHEREAS, both the City of Cameron and Cameron Ambulance District are in agreement that $19,608.97 is a fair and equitable fee for dispatch services. This fee will be implemented for a one-year period and reviewed in February 2013.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Cameron, Clinton and DeKalb Counties, Missouri as follows:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a one year contract with the Cameron Ambulance District for emergency and non-emergency dispatch services at $19,608.97 per year all in substantially the same form attached hereto and made apart hereof.

Section 2. The City Clerk is hereby directed to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Section 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Passed and approved on first reading this 5th day of March 2012.
Passed and approved on second reading this 19th day of March 2012.
Passed and approved on third and final reading this 19th day of March 2012.

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Mayor Frank A. Buck

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk

Second and Final Reading