

ORDINANCE 19-16

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WHITE HOUSE, TENNESSEE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE TITLE 7, CHAPTER 3 FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen desire to update the Municipal Code regarding the Fire Department;

WHEREAS, some of the code is outdated and operational changes have been made;

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief and the City Administrator have reviewed the entire chapter and have agreed on the changes that are recommended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen that the White House Municipal Code Title 7, Chapter 3 Fire Department amended as follows:

**Title 7: FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS
CHAPTER 3
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

SECTION

- 7-301. Establishment, equipment, and membership.
- 7-304. Records and reports.
- 7-305. ~~Tenure and e~~Compensation of members.
- 7-306. Fire chief responsible for training.
- 7-308. Firemen~~fighter~~ - age requirements.
- 7-309. Duties of the fire chief.
- 7-310. Duties of the fire suppression bureau.
- 7-311. Duties of fire prevention bureau.

7-301. Establishment, equipment, and membership. There is hereby established a fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations by the governing body of the municipality. All apparatus, equipment, and supplies shall be purchased by or through the municipality and shall be and remain the property of the municipality. The fire department shall be composed of a fire chief ~~appointed by the governing body~~ and such number of physically-fit subordinate officers and firemen~~fighters~~ as the fire chief shall appoint authorized by the governing body.

7-304. Records and reports. The fire chief shall keep adequate records of all fires, inspections, apparatus, equipment, personnel, and work of the department. ~~He shall submit a written report on such matters to the mayor once each month, and at the end of the year a detailed annual report shall be made.~~

7-305. ~~Tenure and e~~Compensation of members. ~~The fire chief shall hold office so long as his conduct and efficiency are satisfactory to the governing body. However, so that adequate discipline may be maintained, the fire chief shall have the authority to suspend or discharge any other member of the fire department when he deems such action to be necessary for the good of the department. The fire chief may be suspended up to thirty (30) days by the mayor but may be dismissed only by the governing body.~~

All personnel of the fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the governing body may from time to time prescribe.

All full-time personnel employed on a 24 hour shift shall be compensated on the basis of a 212 hour, 28 day work cycle at the regular established rate of pay. All full-time personnel working in excess of a regular shift shall be compensated at time and one-half.

**CHAPTER 4
FIRE SERVICE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS**

SECTION

7-401. Equipment to be used only within corporate limits generally.

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generally. No equipment of the fire department shall be used for fighting any fire outside the corporate limits unless the fire is on city property or, in the opinion of the fire chief, assistant fire chief, or on-duty fire department supervisor ~~inspector~~, is in such hazardous proximity to property owned by or located within the city as to endanger such city property or unless expressly authorized in writing by the municipal governing body.

This ordinance shall become effective upon final reading the public welfare requiring it.

First Reading: July 18, 2019 PASSED

Second Reading: August 15, 2019 PASSED



Michael Arnold, Mayor

ATTEST:



Derek Watson, City Recorder