TOWN OF SPRINGVALE Ordinance 2-2004 AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE REQUIRING PAYMENT OF FIRE COSTS AND EMERGENCY SERVICE BY THOSE RECEIVING PROTECTION OR EMERGENCY SERVICES

WHEREAS Section 60.55(1) of the Wisconsin Statutes imposes the responsibility on the Town Board to provide fire protection, and,

WHEREAS the Town of Springvale has had an Ordinance in place, dated December 3, 1988,

WHEREAS the cost of fire protection is becoming an increasingly heavy burden to the taxpayers,

NOW THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Springvale does ordain as follows:

Pursuant to Section 60.55(2)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes, payment will be required for costs for fire protection from those property owners receiving fire service.

Charges will be the actual costs incurred as determined by the fire department providing the service.

Property owners receiving fire service will be billed accordingly, up to a maximum of \$500.00. Unpaid charges are subject to being placed on the tax bill as special charges pursuant to Section 66.60 of the Wisconsin Statutes. The Town Clerk shall take whatever action deemed appropriate to collect any unpaid assessment including adding the charges to the real estate tax bill of the owner of the property for which service was provided. The charges will be assessed even if there is an absentee owner.

Individuals or others receiving fire service and/or emergency services from the Fire Departments due to accidents on the highways in the Town of Springvale will be charged the total cost of the services as determined by the fire department providing the service pursuant to Sec. 60.557-1-2 Wisconsin Statutes. The driver listed as "at fault" on the accident report will be invoiced for the costs. The Town Clerk shall take whatever action deemed appropriate to collect any unpaid charges including court action. Court costs and legal fees shall be added as allowed by law. Emergency services will be billed at cost.

This ordinance shall take effect June 1, 2004.

Passed and Approved by: Town Board of Springvale May _3___, 2004

Filed & Posted: May _12___, 2004

____/s/ Tom Hollander_____ Town Chairman

____/s/ Orrin Kimble_____ Supervisor ___/s/ Patricia Heyer_____ Town Clerk

____/s/ Dennis Badtke_____ Supervisor