

ORDINANCE NO. 7-2018

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ABERDEEN AMENDING CHAPTER IV OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ENTITLED GENERAL LICENSING AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS SECTION 4-12.11 ENTITLED RATES TO AMEND THE RATES FOR TOWING AND WRECKER SERVICES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Aberdeen, being the Governing Body thereof, that Chapter IV of the Code of the Township of Aberdeen, entitled General Licensing and Business Regulations Section 4-12.11 entitled Rates is hereby amended as follows:

4-12.11 Rates.

a. Charges for transportation, hauling or service of disabled motor vehicles by an approved wrecker or operator of any approved wrecker shall not exceed the following rates:

1. For conveying any passenger automobiles within the Township, a maximum fee of one hundred five e (\$105.00) dollars exclusive of tax. Station wagons, vans, pickup trucks and panel trucks up to one and one-half (1 1/2) tons shall be considered the same as passenger automobiles for the purpose of determining rates. For conveying any motor vehicle having a gross vehicle weight ("GVW") between 10,000 pounds to 30,000 pounds, a maximum fee of one hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars exclusive of tax. For conveying a motor vehicle with a GVW between 30,000 pounds and 80,000 pounds, a maximum fee of two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars exclusive of tax.

2. If flat bed service is used for towing, an additional thirty (\$30.00) dollars will be charged. If an additional heavy-duty wrecker is used for towing an additional two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollars will be charged. If additional manpower is required, there shall be an additional charge of seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars per person. If roadside assistance is required there shall be a charge of forty-five (\$45.00) dollars

3. For every day of dead storage, which shall not begin until after the first twelve (12) hours of storage, the charge will be thirty (\$30.00) dollars per day for a passenger vehicle having a GVW under 10,000 pounds; fifty (\$50.00) dollars per day for a vehicle with a GVW between 10,000 pounds and 30,000 pounds; and seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars per day for a vehicle with a GVW between 30,000 pounds and 80,000 pounds.

4. The following additional fees may be imposed related to the storage of vehicles: a) a yard fee of fifty (\$50.00) dollars, b) an administrative fee of thirty (\$30.00) dollars, c) an after-hours release fee of thirty-five (\$35.00) dollars and d) a no key charge of eighty (\$80.00) dollars.

5. Waiting time for wreckers; a flat rate of forty-five (\$45.00) dollars per half-hour will be charged. Winching/Recovery time shall be charged at one hundred thirty (\$130.00) dollars for the first half hour and one hundred fifty (\$150.00) per half hour thereafter. Waiting time and/or winching time charges shall not begin until one-half (1/2) hour after the time of arrival of the wrecker at the scene and shall be prorated into quarter hours. Waiting time and winching time shall not be individually charged for the same period. The charge for cleanup at the scene will be a flat fee of forty (\$40.00) dollars.

6. The charge for towing of Police vehicles and/or tire changes will be twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars.

b. Every owner of a wrecker shall give the owner of the vehicle a written receipt for the fee paid. Copies of receipts shall be maintained by the owner of the wrecker for two (2) years and available for inspection by authorized Township Officials.

c. The Township Council shall review this section every other year.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.