

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

ORDINANCE NUMBER 07-01

WHEREAS, In Homeland Security Directive (HYPD)-5, the President directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all federal, state, local, and tribal homeland security partners has been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation, and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that all federal, state, local, and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that federal, state, local, and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources will improve the fire protection district's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the state, including all public safety and emergency response organizations training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended adoption of a standardized Incident Command System.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DEER CREEK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, TAZEWELL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

SECTION 1: The Deer Creek Fire Protection District hereby adopts the National Incident Management System (NIMS) including but not limited to the incident command system (ICS) contained within said system.

SECTION 2: The National Incident Management System shall be utilized for all incident management in the Fire Protection District.

SECTION 3: The Trustees of the Deer Creek Fire Protection District hereby direct that the Fire Chief of the Deer Creek Fire Protection District conduct training and provide education to the volunteer fireman of the Deer Creek Fire Protection District in the

Incident Command System (ICS) to provide to the volunteer firemen an understanding of the National Incident Management System's (NIMS) principles and policies.

SECTION 4: The Trustees of the Deer Creek Fire Protection District find that it is the policy of the Deer Creek Fire Protection District to provide training and assistance to the volunteer fireman the serve the Deer Creek Fire Protection District to maximize Homeland Security and to maximize the correct response to any threatened terrorist or other catastrophe that may occur within the territory of the Deer Creek Fire Protection District. This Ordinance is being adopted to pursue those goals and to protect the citizens of the Deer Creek Fire Protection District.

SECTION 5: If any section, subdivision, or sentence of this Ordinance is held invalid, it shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval according to law.

ADOPTED on a roll call vote this 30th day of April, 2007, by the Board of Trustees of Deer Creek Fire Protection District.

Dated this 30th day of April, 2007.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED:

Francis Wort
Eun Alfred Brown
Steve H. Dietrich

ATTEST:

Steve H. Dietrich, Secretary
Deer Creek Fire Protection District

APPROVED:

Eun Alfred Brown, President of
Deer Creek Fire Protection District

Ayes: 3
Nays: 0
Absent: 0