## SERVICE AGREEMENT

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This Agreement made and entered into this <u>20th</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2000, by and between Nassau County, a political subdivision of the state of Florida, hereinafter referred to as COUNTY, and the Town of Callahan, Florida, hereinafter referred to as CALLAHAN.

WITNESSETH, that in consideration of the sum of TEN and No/100 Dollars (\$10.00), and other good and valuable considerations as hereinafter enumerated, the parties hereto agree as follows:

CALLAHAN shall provide Fire/Rescue services within the unincorporated areas of Nassau County as set forth in Exhibit "A".

All Fire/Rescue personnel of CALLAHAN who operate within the unincorporated area shall function under the auspices and authority of the Chief of Fire/Rescue, Nassau County Fire/Rescue Department as defined by the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners and shall operate under the stipulations contained herein when providing services in the unincorporated areas.

1. It shall be the responsibility of CALLAHAN to provide Fire Protection and First Responder Level emergency medical services in their assigned area of responsibility within the areas set forth in Exhibit "A". The area set forth in Exhibit "A" shall not be changed unless agreed to by CALLAHAN and the Board of County Commissioners.

2. Fire Protection and First Responder level medical services shall be provided on a twentyfour (24) hour basis, seven (7) days a week.

3. CALLAHAN shall pay all regular maintenance costs, including repairs, gas, oil, and other fluids necessary to maintain all fire protection apparatus and equipment.

4. CALLLAHAN'S fire protection apparatus and equipment shall be housed at the station of the Town of CALLAHAN.

5. CALLAHAN'S apparatus and equipment shall be subject to Mutual Aid established by the Board of County Commissioners for other areas within unincorporated and incorporated areas of Nassau County and in surrounding areas as requested (dispatched) on a recall basis. CALLAHAN shall strive to maintain the required equipment as listed under the Fire Suppression Rating Schedule of the Insurance Service Organization (ISO), as approved by the Nassau County Board of County Commissioners.

6. It shall be the responsibility of CALLAHAN to ensure that any DEPARTMENT personnel that respond to an alarm be properly equipped with the necessary personal protective equipment/clothing according to the type of incident. Prior to initiating tactics involving fire suppression, salvage, and overhaul, or entrance into any toxic or oxygen deficient atmosphere, CALLAHAN shall ensure that all personnel must be protected by the donning of a full fire protective ensemble, a Positive Pressure Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (P.P.S.C.B.A.), and a Personal Alert Safety System (P.A.S.S.).

7. CALLAHAN shall provide the COUNTY with a current roster of their personnel, and provide a roster with each request for payment. The roster shall include the following information:

a. Name

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- b. Address
- c. Driver's License Number and Type i.e. Class A, B, C, D
- d. Personal Radio Call Number
- e. Certifications held by each member of the Callahan Department

CALLAHAN certifies that it is a Drug Free Workplace and has a policy in effect requiring firefighters/paramedics to undergo drug tests. CALLAHAN further certifies that it has the required insurance coverage including workers compensation and a copy of those policies shall be attached as Exhibit "B" to this Agreement.

8. CALLAHAN shall ensure that each of their personnel has completed Level I – first Responder Certification prior to providing any assistance at a hazardous materials incident. The

COUNTY shall provide CALLAHAN'S DEPARTMENT with the required training and provide a certificate upon completion. An annual refresher course shall be also provided by the COUNTY at the CALLAHAN station, on their designated training night. The COUNTY shall, pursuant to 29 CFR 1910.120 Hazard Communication, provide CALLAHAN with all chemical information which they have on file as it relates to chemicals stored or used in the workplace. The Chief or ranking officer of the CALLAHAN DEPARTMENT shall notify the Chief of Nassau County Fire/Rescue Department upon confirmation of any hazardous release, pursuant to Title III of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). The CALLAHAN DEPARTMENT shall also adhere to all other requirements set forth in 29 CFR 1910 that are related to fire protection. The CALLAHAN DEPARTMENT shall also comply with Florida Statutes, F.A.C. 38 I-20 regarding the requirements for volunteer fire departments.

9. CALLAHAN shall, after each alarm/response, using the Local Area Computer Network complete the appropriate Fire Program reporting section. COUNTY shall provide CALLAHAN with training for the proper operation of the Local Area Computer Network system. CALLAHAN shall also file the appropriate form(s) for any injury and/or fatality which occurs during an alarm/response. These forms shall also be filed with the Florida Fire Incident Reporting System with notification made to the Nassau County Fire/Rescue Department and Risk Management Department. All forms shall be sent to the State by way of manual reporting if system should be down. CALLAHAN shall commence compliance with this paragraph no less than thirty (30) days after written notification from the COUNTY that the Local Area Computer Network System has been activated.

10. CALLAHAN shall keep a record (log) of each response. All records are to be open for inspection by the COUNTY at mutually agreed upon times and are subject to audit through the Clerk under internal audit procedures.

11. It shall be the responsibility of CALLAHAN to ensure that all personnel who operate standard emergency vehicles possess a valid Class "D" license with an "E" endorsement, pursuant to Florida Statutes 322.54. Personnel who are expected to operate specialized apparatus/vehicles, i.e., tractor drawn tankers, are to have the appropriate license.

12. CALLAHAN shall ensure that all members of the Department will attend the 40 hour Basic Volunteer Firefighting Standards Course and 40 hour First Responder Course before participating in interior firefighting operations unless they possess proper documentation of firefighting that meets or exceeds the minimum standards. All new personnel may, at their discretion, ride along with Nassau County Fire/Rescue. In all training provided by Nassau County, it shall be the responsibility of the instructor to file all appropriate certifications with the Nassau County Fire/Rescue Department.

13. All members of the CALLAHAN DEPARTMENT shall work under an Incident Command System (ICS) at all emergency incidents. Said Incident Command System (ICS) operations standards shall be developed and approved by the Board of County Commissioners.

14. All members of the CALLAHAN DEPARTMENT shall abide by the FCC Rules and Regulations regarding radio communications and file the correct number of portable and mobile radios operated by the DEPARTMENT with the COUNTY. Any changes in radio or dispatch procedures shall be the responsibility of the Sheriff and 911 Coordinator and coordinated with the CALLAHAN DEPARTMENT.

15. The Nassau County Fire/Rescue Department shall on a monthly basis, transmit to the CALLAHAN DEPARTMENT any change in Standard Operating Procedures (SOP's) each month in writing addressed to the Callahan Fire Chief, 1908 S. Kings Road, Post Office Box 5016, Callahan, Florida 32011.

16. The COUNTY shall appropriate to CALLAHAN the amount of \$39,348 for providing efficient and effective Fire and First Responder Level Emergency Medical Operations as set forth herein. Said annual amount shall be established by the submission of a request which shall be received by the Clerk of the Court prior to but no later than June 15<sup>th</sup>. Upon approval of the amount by the Board of County Commissioners, said funds shall be allocated on a quarterly basis with payments to be made by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, February, May and August. The COUNTY shall require CALLAHAN to account for all funds allocated and maintain proper accounting records which shall be approved by the Clerk of Court or his designated agents. An acceptable accounting of the previous year's funds must be presented to the Nassau County Clerk of Courts within one hundred and twenty days (120) days of the close of CALLAHAN'S fiscal year. An audit of accounting records may be performed by an independent accounting firm, paid for by CALLAHAN and may be accepted by the Nassau County clerk of Courts in lieu of an Official Audit conducted by the Clerk. The TOWN shall furnish the Clerk within fifteen (15) days of receipt of audit a copy of said audit. Failure to maintain appropriate annual records shall cause the COUNTY to cease providing funds.

17. CALLAHAN shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining proper insurance on all of the vehicles and equipment and providing proof of insurance to the COUNTY and shall be responsible for payment of same from funds allocated by the COUNTY. In addition, CALLAHAN shall provide Workers Compensation coverage for each member of the Department and provide proof of same on a quarterly basis.

18. Additions or amendments to this Agreement shall be mutually agreed upon in writing by the COUNTY and CALLAHAN.

19. failure to adhere to any provisions of this Agreement shall cause the COUNTY to cease

providing funds pursuant to this agreement, after written notice of the default, if the default specified in the written notice is not cured within thirty (30) days.

20. CALLAHAN shall maintain a minimum of eight (8) certified fire/rescue personnel at all times.

This agreement shall be in full force and effect for a period of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1999 to September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2000. However it may be terminated by either party within thirty (30) days after notice having been given by registered mail, one party to the other. Any cancellations by either party shall require the refund of all unexpended Volunteer Fire Department funds appropriated by the COUNTY.

Board of County Commissioners Nassau County, Florida

<sup>27</sup>Nick D. Deonas Chairman

ATTEST: J.M. "Chip" Oxley, J

Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

Contract/Approved as to Michael S. Mullin Nassau County Attorney

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David R. "Da Its: Mayor

By: Cleo Home

Contract Approved as to Form

Daniel S. Brim Attorney for Town of Callahan, Florida



EXHIBIT "A"