## ORDINANCE NO. 81-6

RESCUE EMERGENCY FEES AND NON-EMERGENCY FEES FOR CALLS MADE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF NASSAU COUNTY AND WITHOUT; PROVIDING FOR THOSE FEES; PROVIDING FOR THE TYPES OF SERVICE; PROVIDING FOR ENACTING CLAUSE.

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WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County has deemed it necessary to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of Nassau County to institute both emergency and nonemergency rescue service, and

WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County has found it necessary to make certain provisions for charges for that service to those recipients, and

WHEREAS the Board of County Commissioners wishes to provide the very best service possible,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners that this Ordinance dealing with emergency and non-emergency rescue service be hereby enacted.

SECTION 1. EMERGENCY RATES

Emergency rescue service shall be provided for all citizens of Nassau County, Florida, based upon the following rates.

> 1. Any service call made within Nassau County and the patient delivery is to the Nassau County General Hospital, a charge shall be made to that patient of seventyfive dollars (\$75.00), regardless of whether or not that patient or a member of his family called for that service.

2. If the patient or a member of his family called for the rescue service and such transportation was not necessary, a charge of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) will be charged if the service call is within the boundaries of Nassau County and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) if the service call is out of the boundaries of Nassau County.
3. For any transportation made by Nassau County Emergency Rescue Service out of the boundaries of Nassau County for any reason whatsoever, a service charge of one hundred

dollars (\$100.00) shall be charged.

SECTION 2. NON-EMERGENCY RATES

Non-emergency rescue service shall be provided by Nassau County for the following fees.

> The pick up fee by the rescue vehicle shall be sixty 1. dollars (\$60.00). An additional mileage fee shall be charged when the patient is on board the rescue vehicle, which shall be one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) per mile for travel within Nassau County.

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The mileage fee for travel outside of Nassau and 2. contiguous counties shall be two dollars (\$2.00) per mile. 3. The waiting time for the rescue vehicle shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per hour with the first fifteen minutes free. From sixteen to thirty minutes shall be twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50), and thirty-one minutes or more twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). 4. The use of oxygen shall be charged ten dollars (\$10.00) as a flat rate for any use whatsoever. 5. All rescue fees, both emergency and non-emergency, shall be due and payable on receipt of the bill. The Clerk of Circuit Court is hereby authorized to seek collection through whatever legal means possible of all past due rescue bills which have not been paid beyond sixty days from the due date.

This Ordinance shall become law upon its enactment and filing with the Secretary of State.

> PASSED and ADOPTED this 10th day of March, 1981.

> > BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

Armstrong, Chairman

ATTEST:

Ex-Officio Clerk