

ORDINANCE NO. 46

AN ORDINANCE CREATING AND PROVIDING FOR
THE MANAGEMENT OF THE MEXICO BEACH VOLUNTEER
FIRE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, The Town Council of the Town of Mexico Beach is of the opinion that it is necessary for the protection and preservation of the peace, safety, health and property of the town and its inhabitants, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF
MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Created.

There is hereby created and established within the town, a volunteer fire department to be known as the Mexico Beach Volunteer Fire Department. The supervision, control, compensation, selection, qualifications, duties, appointment and enrollment of the members thereof shall be as provided in this Ordinance.

Section 2. Head of.

The fire chief of the town shall have control of all volunteer firemen in so far as such control shall be necessary to assure the proper functioning and carrying out the purpose of the volunteer fire department created by Section 1, subject, however, to the supervision of the fire commissioner, and subject to the provisions of this ordinance and of the charter of the town.

Section 3. Rules and regulations.

The volunteer firemen may make and promulgate their own rules and by-laws providing for the regulation and government of the volunteer fire department. Provided, however, that such rules and by-laws shall not be in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance or of the charter of the town.

Section 4. Appointment of new members.

At each regular meeting of the volunteer fire department the fire chief shall nominate each person who has, during the preceding month, made application for membership therein. If approved by the volunteer fire department, the nominee shall be accepted subject to the approval of the fire commissioner.

Section 5. Qualifications of members.

Any person may be eligible for membership in the volunteer fire department who shall be over the age of eighteen (18) years, in good physical health, and of good moral character. The volunteer fire department may, by its own rules, establish any other qualifications for membership as to them may be reasonable and necessary.

Section 6. Remuneration.

The town shall remunerate each member of the volunteer fire department \$2.00 for each meeting, scheduled drill or fire attended, as submitted by the fire commissioner to the town council at their regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 7. Remunerations-payment.

The town clerk shall make payments of remuneration to each member as determined by paragraph 6 above. Provided, however, if not sooner made, payment to each member shall be made by the fifteenth day of September of each year for the fiscal year preceding.

Section 8. Dismissal.

The volunteer fire department may, by the provisions of its rules or by-laws, provide for the removal or dismissal of any member of said volunteer fire department who shall appear to be avoiding or shirking his duty with regard to attendance at fires, meetings and/or drills. The town council may also, for good cause shown, dismiss or disenroll any member of the volunteer fire department.

Section 9. Drills and meetings.

There shall be a minimum of one (1) drill or meeting of the volunteer fire department held in each month.

Section 10. Effective date.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

INTRODUCED at a regular meeting of the Town Council on
the 11 day of September, A.D. 1974, and ADOPTED by the Town
Council on the 8 day of October, A.D. 1974.

TOWN OF MEXICO BEACH, FLORIDA

By Charles E. Luford
Mayor-Councilman

ATTESTED:

Jane S. Mullins
Town Clerk

