



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

Requested Meeting Date: 02/10/2026

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Agenda Item #

Title of Item: McGrath Fire Department - 2026 Contract

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA	Action Requested: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing *provide copy of hearing notice that was published	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only
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Submitted by: Kathleen Ryan, County Auditor	Department: County Auditor
Presenter (Name and Title): Kathleen Ryan, County Auditor	Estimated Time Needed: N/A

Summary of Issue:

Approve and authorize signatures for the 2026 Fire Protection Contract for Unorganized Town of 45-24 with the City of McGrath Fire Department.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:

Recommended Action/Motion:
Approve contract and approve the Board Chair and County Auditor to sign the 2026 Fire Contract with the City of McGrath Fire Department.

Financial Impact:
Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No
What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ 1000.00
Is this budgeted? Yes No Please Explain:

CONTRACT FOR TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION

This agreement, made and entered into this 1st day of Jan 2026 by and between the City of McGrath, Aitkin County, Minnesota and the township of Unam. 45/24, Aitkin County, Minnesota.

Whereas, the second party, deeming it advisable to have available for the benefit of the residents of said Township, services of the McGrath Fire Department and electors of Township have pursuant to law, provided a fund for furnishing of such services and

Whereas, City by appropriate action authorized it's Mayor and Clerk to enter into contract with Township.

Now, therefore; it is mutually agreed between parties, that for a period of 1 year from and after the date hereof, the Fire Department of McGrath will answer any and all fire calls of the residents in the following sections 1 - 36 of Township and will respond to such calls with suitable firefighting apparatus to render all assistance possible in the saving of life and property. In the event of two calls, the first call shall have priority and the second call shall be answered as soon as possible, it being understood that McGrath has other contracts, and it being further understood that the property within City limits shall have first call on the services of the Fire Department.

In consideration of such services, second party agrees to pay the sum of \$ 1,000 ⁰⁰, payable in advance.

It is understood and agreed however that in the event that the road and weather conditions be such that the fire run cannot be made with reasonable safety to men and equipment, the decision of the Fire Chief or other Fire Department official being final in such event, that said City shall not be liable in any way to Township, or to any person, firm or corporation for failure of the department to attend a fire or to extinguish a fire or for damage to or loss of goods.

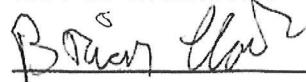
In consideration of such services, parties served agreed to pay \$350.00 per fire run.

It is understood and agreed that this contract shall continue in effect for a period of not more than 1 year with the privilege of cancelling by either party with a written notice within thirty days.

CONTRACT DATE Jan 1 2026 to Dec 31 2026

In witness thereof, the respective parties have caused this instrument to be executed by the respective officers thereof.

CITY OF MCGRATH



MAYOR



CLERK

TOWNSHIP

CHAIRMAN

CLERK



PLEASE SIGN CONTRACT AND RETURN WITH PAYMENT TO:

**CITY OF MCGRATH
PO Box 194
McGRATH, MN. 56350**

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

CITY OF McGRATH FIRE DEPARTMENT