

**SPRING GROVE BOROUGH  
YORK COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**RESOLUTION 04 - 2023**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SPRING GROVE, YORK  
COUNTY, ESTABLISHING THE PROGRAM CRITERIA FOR THE  
VOLUNTEER SERVICE TAX CREDIT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Spring Grove, on the 20 day of March, 2023, adopted an Ordinance creating a program to provide for a Volunteer Service Tax Credit Program (the "Program"); and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of the Program is to encourage membership and service in the community's volunteer fire companies and emergency medical services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Volunteer Service Credit Program Ordinance outlined the need to adopt a resolution to identify the criteria that shall be used to determine volunteer eligibility in the Program.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** the Council of the Borough of Spring Grove, York County, Pennsylvania, establishes the following criteria for the Program:

**VOLUNTEER SERVICE CREDIT PROGRAM CRITERIA**

**PROGRAM CRITERIA FOR FIRE COMPANIES.** The following shall be the annual criteria that a member must meet to qualify for credits under the Program:

- A. The member must be an active member of the fire department, off probation and in good standing for the duration of the Eligibility Period.
- B. An Active Volunteer must accrue a minimum of 100 points from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 and 200 points within any subsequent calendar year (January 1st to December 31st) to be an eligible participant of the Program.
- C. The point system under which the required 100/200 points can be accumulated, is as follows, and 50 of the 100 points for 2023 and 100 of the 200 points in subsequent years must come from Category Two:
  - I. Category One
    - a. Elective Offices\*:
      - (i) Fire Company President/Vice President = 50 points per year\*\*
      - (ii) Fire Company Secretary = 50 points per year\*\*
      - (iii) Fire Company Treasurer = 50 points per year\*\*
      - (iv) Fire Company Assistant Treasurer = 50 point per year\*\*

- (v) Relief Treasurer = 20 points per year\*
- (vi) All Other Elective Offices = 20 points per year\*
- (vii) Fire Company Chief = 50 points per year\*\*

\*An Elective Officer must be uncompensated for such position in order to be eligible for the point allocation provided in Category One.

\*\*Points allocated in Category One shall be prorated for that portion of the calendar year for which a person served in said elected position.

b. Activities:

- (i) Fire or Ambulance Calls = 2 point per call
- (ii) Work Details = 1 point per hour
- (iii) Ambulance Meetings = 1 point per meeting
- (iv) Committee Meetings = 1 point per meeting
- (v) Training = 1 point per hour
- (vi) Business Meetings = 2 points per meeting
- (vii) Relief Meetings = 2 points per meeting

c. Other:

- (i) Membership = 2 points per year (maximum 40 points)
- (ii) New Recruit Years 1 through 5 inclusive = 25 points per year

II. Category Two-Fundraising and Educational Activities:

- a. Any Fundraising Activity Authorized by the Fire Company = 2 points per hour.
- b. Public fire Safety Education Authorized by the Fire Company = 2 points per hour.

III. Points can only be earned from one (1) category for each event. For example, if volunteering under Category Two and perform an activity under Category One, points shall be awarded according to the actual activity during any specific hour. In the event of questions with regard to the applicability of points to a specific event, the Fire Company President shall make the final determination, unless it involves the President's activities, in which case, the Vice-President, Secretary, and

Treasurer, shall decide the matter by a majority decision.

**PROGRAM CRITERIA FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE AGENCIES (EMS).**

The following shall be the annual criteria that a member must meet to qualify for credits under the Program:

- A. The member must be an active member of the EMS department, off probation and in good standing for the duration of the Eligibility Period.
- B. An Active Volunteer shall accrue a minimum of 100 points from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 and 200 points within any subsequent calendar year (January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>) to be an eligible participant of the Program.
  - I. The point system under which the required 100/200 points can be accumulated, is as follows:
    - a. Category One - Elective Offices:
      - (i) President = 150 points per year
      - (ii) Vice-President / EMS Lt. = 150 points per year
      - (iii) EMS Chief = 150 points per year
      - (iv) Secretary = 150 points per year
      - (v) Treasurer = 150 points per year
      - (vi) Assistant Secretary/Treasurer = 50 points per year
      - (vii) Trustee = 50 points per year
    - b. Category Two - Activities:
      - (i) Confirmed Duty Hours = 1 point per hour
      - (ii) EMS Calls = 1 point per call
      - (iii) Special Event Standby = 1 point per hour
      - (iv) Work Details = 1 point per hour
      - (v) Ambulance Crew "Monthly" Meetings = 5 points per meeting
      - (vi) Training = 1 point per hour of certified training
      - (vii) Business Meetings = 2 points per meeting
  - II. Any Fire/EMS Fundraising Activity = 2 points per hour
  - III. Any authorized public safety education = 2 points per hour


All resolutions or parts of resolutions inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby repealed insofar, but only insofar, as the same are inconsistent herewith.

**DULY ADOPTED, RESOLVED, AND ENACTED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Spring Grove, Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

**Borough Council of the Borough of  
Spring Grove, Pennsylvania**

ATTEST:

  
Zachary Gulden, Borough Secretary

By:   
Rebecca J. Stauffer,  
Council President