

**ORDINANCE 147-2022**

**ENNIS TOWN ORDINANCE  
TERMINATION OF ENNIS VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE**

**1-14-1: DEPARTMENT TERMINATIONS**

**A. LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND FINDINGS OF FACT IN SUPPORT OF  
TERMINATION OF ENNIS VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE:**

**Whereas:** the Ennis Volunteer Ambulance Service “EVAS” was formed as a Department of the Town of Ennis for the purpose of providing emergency transport and medical services to the Ennis community; and

**Whereas:** The Town of Ennis has recently confronted budgetary concerns, staffing issues and related concerns that support termination of the EVAS; and

**Whereas:** The Madison Valley Medical Center “MVMC” has the resources necessary to provide required levels of service, management and staffing necessary to serve the Ennis community regarding operation of an ambulance service; and

**Whereas:** The Town Commissioners find that it would be in the community’s long-term best if emergency medical and ambulance service is provided by MVMC; and

**Whereas:** The Ennis Town Charter 1-6-7(B)(1) provides that the termination of any Town Department must be done by Ordinance; and

**Whereas:** The Town of Ennis, by Resolution # 568-2022, entered into an agreement transferring general management, operations and assets of the EVAS to MVMC; and

**Whereas:** The Town Commissioners find that MVMC has demonstrated a commitment and ability to provide reasonably necessary or required levels of service;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED** that the following Ordinance shall upon adoption terminate the Ennis Volunteer Ambulance Service and transfer all assets to the Madison Valley Medical Center:

**B. TERMINATION OF AMBULANCE VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

The Ennis Volunteer Ambulance Service is terminated by act of the Town Commissioners pursuant to Ennis Town Code 1-7-7(B)(1). All assets having previously been sold, gifted, transferred or conveyed to the Madison Valley Medical Center as allowed by law.

**C.** Upon adoption, the above ordinance shall be published, codified and indexed under Title 1 Administration within a new Chapter 14 Department Terminations.

LEGISLATIVE NOTES PUBLICATION AND VOTING

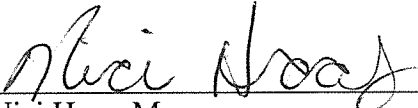
Date of First Public Reading: April 14, 2022.

Date of Second Public Reading: May 19, 2022.

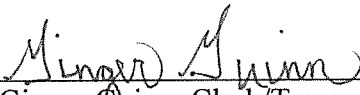
Record of vote of First and Second Public Reading: April 14, 2022 and May 19, 2022 at regularly scheduled duly noticed public meeting held at Ennis Town Hall, 328 West Main Street, Ennis, Montana, the following Commissioners being present voted as follows:

Commissioner	Present/Absent	Vote 4/14/22	Vote 05/19/22
Allison	P	ABSTAIN	ABSTAIN
Hankins	P	yes	yes
Hardy	P	yes	yes
Palmerton	P	yes	yes
Ranson	P	yes	yes

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND FINALLY APPROVED** by the Town Commission of the Town of Ennis, Montana, at a regular session thereof held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022.

  
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Nici Haas, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Ginger Guinn, Clerk/Treasurer

