

TOWN of MECAN

Marquette County, Wisconsin

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Sheriff's Departments

EMT Departments

Fire Departments

October 1, 2000

Re: What the Town expects from the various Departments in providing Fire Coverage, Ambulance Service, EMT coverage of accidents, etc.

1. **FIRE COVERAGE:** The Princeton Fire Department provides all of Mecan Township with Fire Coverage. Therefore, we expect the Marquette County Dispatch to contact the Green Lake County Dispatch, who in turn will dispatch the Princeton Fire Department and a Princeton Ambulance to accompany the Fire Department.
2. **AMBULANCE SERVICE:** The Marquette County EMT Department will provide all of the Town of Mecan coverage for Emergency Health Service. Therefore, we expect the Marquette County Dispatch to dispatch them for coverage on such calls, but **NOT** on fire calls.
3. **EMT COVERAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS:** We are not in favor of, but we are agreeing to allow the Marquette County EMT Department to be dispatched to motor vehicle accidents within the Town. It is also our understanding that Marquette County EMT's are contracted with the Montello Fire Department for use of their extrication equipment and we are in agreement with using them as long as there is no billing to our Town. Therefore, we expect the Marquette County Dispatch to dispatch them for coverage on such calls within the Town of Mecan.
3. **EXPECTATIONS:** The Town of Mecan expects that all of the Departments, involved with coverage of these items, will be responsible for training all personnel (both present and future) as to how these services are to be provided. Therefore, the Town of Mecan is placing the responsibility on the Department Management and not the employees or volunteers.

It is also understood that there may be the possibility of experiencing a rare instance where some type of situation may surface that is in a gray area of the Town's expectations for service. Therefore, the Town will insist that all parties involved will keep their cool, without any confrontations, and allow the Town to correct any such misunderstandings.

There are also Mutual Aid agreements between both Counties in each Department. Our understanding is that each Department will call for the Mutual Aid that they will require and that this will be purely within their normal working agreements.

COMMENTS AND CLARIFICATIONS: The Town of Mekan views this document as an attempt to resolve some of the problems that have arisen for quite a few years and still have not been corrected.

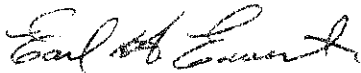
One item right off the bat is, it should be understood that a Town has the responsibility to provide for the services that we discussed and they are at liberty to do one of the following: 1) Establish their own, or 2) Contract with whom ever they desire to provide the service. The fact that Marquette County established an EMT Department to cover the County, does not mean that a Town can not contract with someone else for the service. However, if the Town did, it would be paying double for that service. Also keep in mind that Marquette County EMT's provide service for Towns in Adams and Waushara Counties and maybe those people are paying double for the service.

It appears that most of the previous problems experienced, about who covers for the service required, have been a result of personnel not knowing where the Town lines are and that who is to provide the service according to our agreements. Therefore, the Town of Mekan requires that each Department's personnel are trained to understand what is required in our Town when they are establishing service. It should also be understood that this requirement not only applies to the Dispatchers but also to Law Enforcement or other Personnel that are involved.

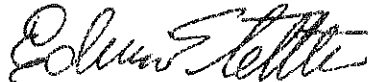
THE MARQUETTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, is charged, by law, to provide coverage in all of the situations that may develop for all of the services discussed. As a result, the Town of Mekan considers it very important to have the Sheriff's Department management make certain that all of their Personnel are trained to comply with our expectations.

The Mekan Town Board,

Earl H. Ewert, Chairperson



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