

ORDINANCE #9

TOWN OF HANOVER

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen of Hanover, New Hampshire, ordain as follows:

FIRE DEPARTMENT

1. Declaration of Purpose: The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish the Fire Department.
2. Title: This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the “Fire Department Ordinance of the Town of Hanover.”
3. Authority: Organization per Selectmen's Minutes of September 10, 1968 and RSA 47:17.
4. Officers and Members: The Fire Department of the Town of Hanover shall consist of a Chief and such number of other officers and members as the Board of Selectmen may determine.
5. Appointment: All members of the Fire Department shall be appointed by the Manager, upon merit and fitness alone, in accordance with RSA 37, the Town of Hanover by-laws and departmental rules and regulations as are now or hereafter may be adopted. New call members will be recommended by the officers subject to approval by the Fire Chief, with final approval by the Town Manager.
6. Fire Chief: The Fire Chief shall at all times have control of and be responsible for all Fire Department personnel and the proper maintenance and use of all fire equipment and apparatus. In the absence of the Chief, the highest ranking officer shall assume control and responsibility.
7. Call Firefighters: Call Firefighters may establish or maintain such organizations as they deem appropriate, elect officers for these organizations and establish rules and regulations concerning membership and such other rules relating to the internal organization and operation of the organizations as they deem necessary, and in accordance with Town by-laws, and rules and regulations of the Fire Department.
8. Rules and Regulations: Rules and regulations concerning operation and administration of the Fire Department shall be adopted by the Fire Chief with the approval of the Town Manager.

9. Refusal to Obey Command: Any person present at a fire who shall refuse or neglect to obey command of the Fire Chief, or his duly delegated authority, or who shall unlawfully assume the office, or badge of office, of a Firefighter shall be fined not more than twenty dollars (\$20.00).

Source: September 16, 1968 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes.
Adopted June, 1980

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