

**EMERGENCY PROTECTION RESPONSE FEE
APPEAL FORM**

Under Mauston Ordinance 2-300, any property owner or responsible person, upon whom an emergency response fee has been imposed, has the right to file an appeal with the Police and Fire Commission. Any such appeal must be filed with the City Clerk within thirty (30) days after the date of the first billing. This form shall be used for the purpose of filing any such appeal.

1. Applicant Name: Christopher Barebo
Applicant Address: 1011 S. Main St Necedah, WI 54646
Applicant Telephone: Daytime 720 808 0849 Evening _____
2. Property Owner Information – If Different than Applicant
Property Owner Name: _____
Property Owner Address: _____
Property Owner Telephone: Daytime _____ Evening _____
3. Amount of Response Fee Contested: \$ 500
4. Date of Emergency Call: 3/13/25
5. Location of Emergency Call: Behind Walgreens
6. Description of Property Involved in Emergency Call:
My truck caught fire. No injuries. No harm done to anything or anyone apart from my truck.
7. Narrative Summary of Grounds for Contesting Fee: (Use Reverse Side for Additional Information)
I'm Contesting any part of the fee that I can. Be that a lower fee, dismissed interest rate, or entire fee dismissal. I make \$17.50 per hour. I work a lot to afford life, and this charge just seems substantial. I wouldn't say I'm struggling, but fees like this make me consider otherwise, I can barely afford to pay.
8. Certification: The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing information is true and correct.
Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/11/25
Printed Name: Chris Barebo

OFFICE USE ONLY

DATE

Appeal Received:

PFC Hearing Scheduled (Max. 45 days after receipt of appeal)

Written Notice of Hearing to Appellant/Property Owner (Min. 10 days prior to Hearing Date)

PFC Decision Reached (Max. 30 days after Hearing Date)

Written Notice of Decision to Appellant/Property Owner

WHEN COMPLETED ATTACH COPY OF PFC DECISION TO THIS FORM AND FILE IN CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – "EMERGENCY PROTECTION RESPONSE FEES"

CITY OF MAUSTON CODE OF ORDINANCES

Sec. 2-300. - Emergency response fees.

(h) *Appeal process.*

- (1) The PFC shall hold a hearing within 45 days after receipt of such appeal, and shall give written notice to all interested parties at least ten days prior to such hearing. The chairperson shall administer oaths to all persons providing factual testimony to the PFC and may compel the attendance of any witness by subpoena. The appellant shall attend said hearing in person, and may be represented by counsel. The PFC shall decide all appeals within 30 days after the conclusion of said hearing, and shall transmit a signed copy of its decision to the appellant and all other interested parties. Nothing herein shall limit the PFC from adjourning and continuing the hearing from time to time and place to place for the purpose of accommodating the attendance of interested persons, witnesses, and PFC members, or for the purpose of preparing or presenting additional facts or argument. Moreover, the PFC may adopt such additional procedural rules as it deems necessary to ensure a fair, impartial and expedient hearing on each appeal.
 - (2) The PFC is authorized to waive or replace a fee with an alternative and more appropriate fee based on its review of the evidence. Reasons for a change to the original fee will most likely be based, but not limited to, the following criteria:
 - a. Evidence supports that no service was rendered;
 - b. Evidence supports that the service rendered does not match the applied fee as outlined in the fee schedule;
 - c. No fee on the schedule appropriately matches the service rendered.
 - (3) The decision of the PFC shall be final.
- (i) *Deadlines.* Failure to comply with any of the time periods set forth above shall not invalidate the emergency response fee, nor shall it excuse the responsible person from liability therefor.