

**LYON COUNTY ORDINANCE TO COLLECT UNPAID AMBULANCE BILLS****ORDINANCE NUMBER: 2024-02****Section I: Purpose**

This ordinance provides for a process to collect unpaid ambulance bills. This ordinance is intended to supplement, but not replace, any other legal means of collection of the unpaid debt. This ordinance does not relieve the obligor of any liability not collected through this process.

**Section II: Definitions**

**Board** – means Lyon County Board of Supervisors

**Claims letter** – means a letter sent to an obligor regarding indebtedness owed to Lyon County Ambulance

**County** – means Lyon County

**Debt** – means any unpaid delinquent accounts, charges, fees or other indebtedness owed to Lyon County Ambulance

**Director** – means the Director of Lyon County Ambulance

**Obligor** – means a person who is indebted to Lyon County for any delinquent accounts, charges, fees, or other indebtedness being collected by Lyon County Ambulance

**Set offs program** – means the program implemented by the Iowa Department of Revenue and set forth in Code of Iowa Section 421.65.

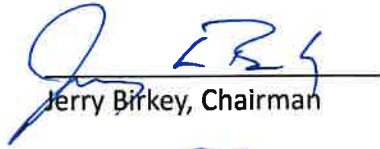
**Small Claims** – means the process set forth in Chapter 631 of the Code of Iowa

**Section III: Collection**

It shall be the duty of the Director of Lyon County Ambulance to collect any and all unpaid debt owed to Lyon County Ambulance. The Director has the authority to collect that debt through any legal means, including but not limited to the use of claims letters; small claims actions; debt collections agencies and the Iowa Department of Revenue set offs program. Any moneys collected by the Director shall be remitted to the County general fund.

The Director shall keep an accurate record of all debt owed to Lyon County Ambulance. The Director shall keep an accurate record of all attempts to collect debt owed to Lyon County Ambulance. The Director shall provide a record of all debt and attempts to collect debt to the Board as requested.

**ADOPTED AND PASSED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Lyon on this 12th day of March, 2024.

  
Jerry Birkey, Chairman

Attest:   
Amy Sprock, Auditor

First Reading: February 27, 2024  
Second Reading: March 12, 2024  
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