

BILL NO. 2-2020  
INTRODUCED MARCH 11, 2020  
ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 2020  
ADOPTED April 29, \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

**CITY OF MONONGAHELA, COUNTY OF WASHINGTON, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA**

**AN ORDINANCE IMPLEMENTING REAL PROPERTY TAX CREDIT FOR RESIDENT VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS**

WHEREAS, the City of Monongahela, Washington County is a body corporate and politic, and a duly recognized City of the Third Class in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, the City has, under its organization, a volunteer Bureau of Fire as provided by the Third Class City Code; and

WHEREAS, Pennsylvania Act 172 of 2016 provides municipalities with the option to offer a real estate or earned income tax credit to active members of volunteer fire companies and nonprofit emergency medical service agencies through a volunteer service credit program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the City Council of Monongahela, Washington County, Pennsylvania, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2020, as follows:

**Section 1. Purpose.** The purpose of this Ordinance is to recognize the work and dedication of the volunteer firefighters of the Monongahela Fire Department, and to encourage City residents to become volunteer firefighters.

**Section 2. Applicability.** The benefits afforded by this Ordinance shall be applicable to all resident, active volunteers of the Monongahela Fire Department who own and occupy residential real property within the boundaries of the City.

**Section 3. Definitions.** The following definitions of the below words and phrases shall apply to this Ordinance.

- (a) "Volunteer." A member of the Monongahela Fire Department.
- (b) "Active Volunteer." A Volunteer of the Monongahela Fire Department who owns and occupies residential real property within the boundaries of the City and has been certified by the Chief of the Fire Department to be active within the Department as provided by Section 4 of this Ordinance.
- (c) "Owner-Occupied." Residential real property for which an individual is listed as an owner on a deed, county property tax record, or other document evidencing an ownership interest, and in which the same individual occupies as his primary place of residence. The phrase "owns and occupies" shall be construed to mean the same as "Owner-Occupied."

