

STATE OF INDIANA

BEFORE THE BOARD OF CLARK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ORDINANCE NO. 2 -2016

**AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING GREATER DISTRIBUTION
TO VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS FROM TIMBER SALES**

WHEREAS, this Board of Commissioners of Clark County, Indiana (this “Board”), is the executive body of Clark County government pursuant to the provisions of I.C. 36-2-2-2; and,

WHEREAS, this Board is also the legislative body of Clark County government pursuant to the provisions of I.C. 36-1-2-9; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Natural Resources, through the State Forestry Sale of Timber from Clark County, and pursuant to statute, allocates fifteen percent (15%) of the net proceeds from the sale of timber on its state-owned lands to the county from which the timber was sold. Fifty percent (50%) of these revenues may then be distributed to qualifying rural and volunteer fire departments within the county. To qualify for a distribution, a department must have a cooperative agreement in effect with the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry; and,

WHEREAS, each volunteer fire department is limited to receiving a maximum annual distribution of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) under this section (I.C. 14-23-4-6(c)); and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. 14-23-4-6 the county legislative body may allow a greater distribution to each volunteer fire department within the county that has a cooperative lease agreement or contract with the division of forestry.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by this Board of Clark County Commissioners as follows:

1. Volunteer fire departments are a vital part of Clark County, Indiana and its safety.
2. Each volunteer fire department having a cooperative lease agreement or contract with the division of forestry shall share equally in the distributable portion to assist their department, beyond the one thousand dollar (\$1,000.00) maximum.
3. The remainder of the monies shall be deposited in the general fund pursuant to statute.
4. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and promulgation as evidenced by the affirmative signatures of the undersigned as the majority of the duly elected and serving members of this Board.

So Ordained this 28th day of January, 2016.

Members voting "NO":

Jack Coffman, Commissioner

Rick Stephenson, Commissioner

Bryan Glover, Commissioner

Members voting "YES":



Jack Coffman, Commissioner



Rick Stephenson, Commissioner



Bryan Glover, Commissioner

Attested by:


R. Monty Snelling, Clark County Auditor