

Notice

On the 25th day of July, 2025 the Board of Trustees of the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma, approved Ordinance No. 24 as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF HOCHATOWN, OKLAHOMA, DECLARING THE TOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT AS A PAID OR COMBINATION DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO TITLE 11 O.S. §29-301; DEFINING VOLUNTEER AND PAID FIREFIGHTERS; AUTHORIZING ENROLLMENT OF ELIGIBLE FIREFIGHTERS IN THE OKLAHOMA FIREFIGHTERS PENSION AND RETIREMENT SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR CONTRIBUTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 11 O.S. §§49-101.2, 49-122, 49-116, AND 49-135; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT.

Be it ordained by the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma, that the fire department of the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma, is a paid or combination fire department, as defined in Title 11 O.S. §29-301, that has in its employ more than two full time salaried firefighters.

For the purpose of this ordinance, a volunteer firefighter shall be considered as one who is enrolled as a member of the fire department and who serves in said capacity without receiving a regular salary subject to the limitations in Title 11 O.S. §49-101.2.

For the purpose of this ordinance, a paid firefighter shall be considered as one who is enrolled as a member of the fire department and who is receiving a regular salary greater than the limitations listed in Title 11 O.S. §49-101.2.

Be it further ordained that any volunteer firefighters, which are employed by the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma that meet the eligibility requirements for entry into the Oklahoma Firefighters Pension and Retirement System (“System”), including but not limited to the age forty-five (45) requirement in Title 11 O.S. §49-135, will be enrolled as members of the System with an effective date equal to the effective date in which the fire department was approved for membership as an eligible employer of the System.

Be it further ordained that the first year’s contribution for any eligible volunteer firefighter, pursuant to the contribution requirements of Title 11 O.S. §49-122, will accompany the entrance application for each volunteer membership application and contributions will be paid accordingly each year thereafter in which each eligible member is enrolled as a volunteer firefighter.

Be it further ordained that all paid firefighters, which are employed by the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma, will meet the eligibility requirements for entry into the System, including but not limited to the age forty-five (45) requirement in Title 11 O.S. §49-135 and the physical performance and agility requirements in Title 11 O.S. §49-116 , and will be enrolled as members

of the System with an effective date equal to the effective date in which the fire department was approved for membership as an eligible employer of the System.

Be it further ordained that the contribution requirements of Title 11 O.S. §49-122, will be paid accordingly with each pay period thereafter in which each member is enrolled as a firefighter.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Town Trustees of the Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma this the 25th day of July, 2025.

Dated this 25th Day of July 2025
Julie Arrieta, Town Clerk
The Town of Hochatown, Oklahoma