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RE: False Alarm Fee Policy

The volunteer members of the Maidstone Waseca & District Fire and Rescue service area have, in recent years, responded to an increasing number of alarm system false alarm call-outs. These false alarm call-outs require members to provide an unnecessary response which may remove the member and equipment from being available for a legitimate call-out.

The Board for the Maidstone Waseca & District fire and rescue service area have established a False Alarm Fee Policy which will provide a warning to the ratepayer for the first false alarm call-out and a charge of \$500.00 for the second false alarm call-out and each successive response thereafter increasing by \$500.00.

The Board requests that you consult with your alarm system company to first call yourself and/or others in your household before contacting 911. The Board hopes that these actions will help reduce the number of false alarm call-outs.

Thank-you for your consideration.

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