

2021 Proposed Ambulance Fees

<i>SERVICE PROVIDED</i>	<i>2018-19 FEE</i>	<i>Village 2020</i>	<i>Bangs</i>	<i>Regional Average</i>	<i>2021 ToU Proposed</i>	<i>% Increase</i>
BLS Non-Emergency	\$500	\$500	\$955 for all BLS	\$784	\$500	-0-
BLS Emergency	\$800	\$940		n/a	\$900	12.5
ALS 1 Non-Emergency	\$850	\$850	n/a	n/a	\$850	-0-
ALS 1 Emergency	\$1050	\$1405	\$1264	\$811-1660	\$1200	14
ALS 2 Emergency	\$1150	\$1612	\$1325	\$1045-3100	\$1300	13
Specialty Care Transport	\$500	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Paramedic Intercept	\$325	\$725	n/a		\$400	23
GTM	\$20.00/mi	\$25.50/mi	\$20.21/mile	\$25.24/mi	\$21.00/mile	5

Rationale: Fees have not increased since 2018 and the Town’s policy adopted in 2015 agreed to shift some EMS costs to users likely to be covered by insurance companies and public insurance to offset the amount all taxpayers pay to subsidize the service.

Increases are recommended based on comparison with the Village and Bangs as well as regional averages.

Since taxpayers in the Town still contribute taxes to the ambulance service, having the Town charge more than Bangs, a private provider, may tend to discourage use of the Village service which would mean a potential decrease in revenues to the Town.

Since there are slightly more uncollected bills at MedEx, the billing company, and since layoffs may mean more residents without insurance, more moderate increases are recommended.

Impact on Town employees covered by Consortium’s Gold Plan:

<i>SERVICE PROVIDED</i>	2020	20% co-pay	2021	20%
BLS Non-Emergency	\$500	\$100	\$500	\$100
BLS Emergency	\$800	\$160	\$900	\$180
ALS 1 Non-Emergency	\$850	\$170	\$850	\$170
ALS 1 Emergency	\$1,050	\$210	\$1,200	\$240
ALS 2 Emergency	\$1,150	\$230	\$1,300	\$260
Specialty Care Transport	\$500	\$100	n/a	
Paramedic Intercept	\$325	\$65	\$400	\$80
Mileage to Hospital	\$20/mi	\$300	\$21/mile	\$315

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Based on 2020 Hardship Policy: Federal Poverty rate x 400% = 1 person household earning < 12,760 x 4 = \$51,040 eligible for waiver