



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Norte
MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE 11TH SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS, ILOCOS NORTE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL ON THE 6TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2021 AT 10:30 IN THE MORNING.

PRESENT:

Hon. Angel Miguel L. Hernando	Member/Acting Vice-Mayor;
Hon. Moera Joy N. Galing-Luna	Member/Temporary Presiding Officer;
Hon. Joseph Lister B. Butay	Member;
Hon. Norberto D. Dadiz, Sr.	Member;
Hon. Erico R. Ruiz, Jr.	Member;
Hon. Luciano R. Caraang	Member;
Hon. Jessie Julito P. Pumaras, Sr.	Member;
Hon. Juanito P. Ulep, Jr.	Member/Liga ng mga Barangay President;
Hon. Inno Ma. Angelo Paulo O. Hernando	Member/PPSK President.

ABSENT:

None.

“MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 2021-22

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING MORTUARY/DEATH AID TO INDIGENT RESIDENTS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN NICOLAS, ILOCOS NORTE, PRESCRIBING THE GUIDELINES IN THE AVAILMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF”.

WHEREAS, the time honored principle that “those who have less in life, must have more in law” must always be adhered by any LGU;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code provides among others, that the Local Government Unit shall promote the general welfare of its people, pursuant to Section 16 thereof, otherwise known as the general welfare clause;

WHEREAS there had been numerous cases wherein the dead are not afforded decent burial mainly because of poverty;

WHEREAS, the mortuary or death aid is one way of helping the bereaved family in time of their deepest moment of sorrow and despair by providing financial assistance;

WHEREFORE, be it ORDAINED, THAT:

SECTION 1. Statement of Policy. It is the policy of the Local Government of the Municipality of San Nicolas, to ensure that the welfare and benefits of the residents especially the needy, are always upheld and safeguarded; hence, the LGU is extending not only moral but also financial assistance to the family of those who already joined their Creator.

SECTION 2. Objective. This ordinance aims to give monetary assistance or financial aid to the bereaved family of the indigents, as determined by the MSWDO, to help them provide a decent burial to their departed beloved;

SECTION 3. Short Title. This ordinance shall be known as an “Ordinance Granting Mortuary or Death Aid to indigent residents of San Nicolas”.

SECTION 4. Definition of Terms. For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms are herein defined:

- a) Indigent – those individuals living below the poverty line bracket as determined by the MSWDO.
- b) Beneficiary – refers to the legal surviving spouse of the decedent, his or her legitimate and/or illegitimate children, parents, brothers or sisters, or to any of his nearest kin, in the order so provided;
- c) Death - means the cessation of life;
- d) LGU – refers to the Local Government Unit of San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte.
- e) Mortuary or Death Aid – refers to the amount given to the beneficiary upon the death of an indigent individual;

SECTION 5. Coverage. The beneficiary shall be entitled to receive the amount of Five Thousand Pesos (P5,000.00) as financial assistance to the bereaved family.

SECTION 6. Processing of Claims. In the event of death, the beneficiary/ies shall immediately notify the Office of the Municipal Mayor through the MSWDO regarding such circumstance. The MSWDO shall thereafter assist the beneficiary/ies on processing the claim to further ensure expeditious and prompt release of the cash/checks. To establish the relationship of beneficiary/claimant to the deceased, one (1) copy each of the following documents are to be submitted to the MSWDO:

- a) Death Certificate duly certified by the Local Civil Registrar or Philippine Statistics Authority;
- b) Sufficient identification and proof of relationship of the claimant and/or beneficiary to the deceased indigent.

SECTION 7. Payment. The mortuary aid shall be payable to the beneficiary/ies, in the order of preference as above stated, only after completion of the requirements in the immediately preceding section.

SECTION 8. Exclusions. The LGU shall not render any mortuary assistance subject of this ordinance to those whose death is caused or resulting from, whether directly or indirectly, wholly or partly:

- a) Suicide or Intentional or otherwise self-inflicted death;
- b) Accident while under the influence of prohibited drugs or under the influence of liquor;
- c) While committing or attempting to commit any crime punishable by the Revised Penal Code, Special Penal Laws, or ordinance.

SECTION 9. Funding. For the succeeding years commencing in the year 2022, funds for mortuary or death aid shall be sourced from the General Fund and included in the Annual Budget of the municipality.

SECTION 10. Separability Clause. Should any provision of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or illegal by any court of competent jurisdiction, those parts that are not so declared shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. Repealing Clause. Any previous ordinance/s or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or superseded accordingly.

SECTION 12. Effectivity Clause. This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 2022.

“UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Voting on the foregoing ordinance was as follows:

- AYES : Members Hernando, A., Butay, Dadiz, Sr., Ruiz, Jr., Caraaaang, Pumaras, Sr., and Ulep, Jr., Hernando, I.
- NAYS : None.
- ABSTAINED :

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.



ENRIQUE P. ULEP, JR.
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan I

ATTESTED:



MOERA JOY N. GALING-LUNA
SB Member/Temporary Presiding Officer

APPROVED:



EDISTIO P. VALDEZ
Acting Mayor

Approved on: September 8, 2021