

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-46**  
**REVIEW OF THE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FEE**

**WHEREAS**, in 1988 the Legislature enacted the Emergency Communications Act (“Act”) at Title 31, Chapter 48 of the Idaho Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Act establishes a method for financing the initiation, maintenance, and enhancement of consolidated emergency communications systems which allows for 9-1-1 service within the several counties; and

**WHEREAS**, in November 1990, at a general elections, the voters of Kootenai County approved a telephone line user fee, also known as an emergency communications or 9-1-1 fee, in an amount not greater than one dollar (\$1.00) per line per month, to be used to fund and finance the maintenance and operation of a 9-1-1 emergency communications system as provided in the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 1, 2001, the Board of Kootenai County Commissioners (“Board”), in Resolution No. 2001-26, set the emergency communications fee to be assessed in Kootenai County at one dollar (\$1.00) per line per month; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board recognizes the requirement to review the emergency communications fee on an annual basis pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-4803(7); and

**WHEREAS**, the current revenue collected from the emergency communications fee is not adequate to fund the needs of the emergency communications system;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED**, that pursuant to the authority granted to this Board pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-4804, that the emergency communications fee shall continue to be set in the amount of one dollar (\$1.00) per month per access or interconnected VoIP service line; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the emergency communications fee shall continue to be collected from by all telecommunications providers, as provided in and pursuant to Idaho Code § 31-4804; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that all telecommunications providers shall remit the fee on a monthly basis to the Kootenai County Treasurer’s Office at 451 Government Way, P.O. Box 9000, Coeur d’Alene, Idaho 83816-9000, on the last day of the month following the provider’s billing cycle; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Idaho Code §31-4804 and this Resolution, all providers shall continue to be entitled to deduct and retain one percent (1.0%) of the collected amount as the cost of administration for collecting the charge; and

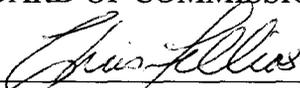
**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that any conflicting prior resolutions are hereby superseded and such conflicting provisions repealed.

Upon a motion to adopt the text of the foregoing Resolution made by Commissioner Brooks, seconded by Commissioner Duncan, the following vote was recorded:

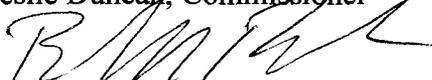
Commissioner Brooks:      Aye  
Commissioner Duncan:      Aye  
Chairman Fillios:          Aye

Upon said roll call, the text of the foregoing was duly enacted as a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of Kootenai County, Idaho on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

KOOTENAI COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
Chris Fillios, Chairman

  
Leslie Duncan, Commissioner

  
Bob Brooks, Commissioner

ATTEST:

JIM BRANNON, Clerk

By:

  
Deputy Clerk

Deputy Clerk