

**OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'**

**RESOLUTION NO. 46- 2022**

*A resolution authorizing the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office to design and negotiate a purchase contact for a mobile communications and command vehicle.*

**WHEREAS**, On March 11, 2021 the American Rescue Plan Act was signed into law which authorized funds for State and Local Fiscal Recovery across America;

**WHEREAS**, Funds are provided to remedy rising costs and falling revenues due to COVID-19 public health pandemic and to continue to support the public health response and maintain public sector operational capacities; and

**WHEREAS**, Okanogan County currently is without mobile communications capacities capable of supporting public health nor public safety events such as pandemic associated activities, wildfire, flood or other disaster events that have occurred in Okanogan County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Okanogan County 911 dispatch center does not have a backup location to evacuate to as needed to facilitate continued 911 and public safety radio operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Okanogan County 911 dispatch center has just 13 dispatcher staff positions and does not have sufficient space to allow dispatchers to continue working while social distanced from other dispatchers; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners to support the continuity of public safety operations and support improved communications, command and control during public safety and public health events occurring in Okanogan County; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the BOCC directs the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office to engage qualified vendors for the detailed specifications, design and negotiated contract for production of a Mobile Communications and Command Vehicle not to exceed \$400,000; and

The BOCC directs the Okanogan County Auditor to create a budget line in Fund 170 for "Mobile Communications and Command Vehicle"

**DATED** at Okanogan, Washington this 12 day of April 2022.

**ATTEST:**



Crystal M Hawkey  
Lalena Johns, Clerk of the Board

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON**

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Chris Branch, Member

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Jim DeTro, Member

*For*