

OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS'

RESOLUTION 63 - 2023

A resolution authorizing waiver of the 911 address fee for property owners who have lost a home in a wildfire and are rebuilding the home on a different site on the property because the new site offers better wildfire defense. The waiver must be requested within 3 years of the loss.

WHEREAS, Okanogan County has experienced multiple wildfires that have resulted in the loss of a significant number of homes,

WHEREAS, good wildfire defense begins with siting of the home and Okanogan County has an interest in property owners who have lost a home due to wildfire in siting the new home in a location that provides good wildfire defense,

WHEREAS, choosing a site for a new home that offers good wildfire defense may require relocating the home to another site on the property,

WHEREAS a new site may require a new 911 address which carries a fee of \$75.00; and such fee may discourage property owners rebuilding after a wildfire from siting the home to another location on the property even if there are sites on the property that offer better wildfire defense,

WHEREAS, waiver of such fee will promote and support rebuilding homes on sites that offers better wildfire defense,

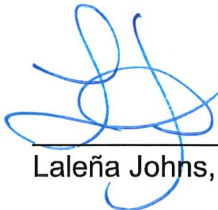
BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners that to encourage property owners to rebuild homes lost due to wildfire on sites that offer good wildfire defense, the county will waive the \$75 fee for any new 911 address where the property owner applies for the address and requests the waiver within three years of the wildfire loss and verifies that the home was rebuilt on a different site on the property because the new site offers better wildfire defense.


DATED at Okanogan, Washington this 30th day of may, 2023.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OKANOGAN, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:


Laleña Johns, CMC, Clerk of the Board

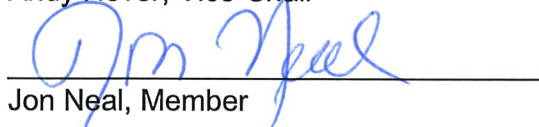

The seal is circular with a dotted border. The outer ring contains the text 'OKANOGAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' at the top and 'OKANOGAN CO. WASHINGTON' at the bottom. In the center, the word 'SEAL' is written in large, bold, blue letters.



Chris Branch, Chairman



Andy Hover, Vice-Chair



Jon Neal, Member