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Dept: Walla Walla County Commissioners

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Message: _____



Date: August 10, 2000

From: Rochelle Howard phone: 800-525-8175, ext. 325

To: Walla Walla County Clerk

Company: Walla Walla County Commissioners

Fax Number: 509-527-3214 / phone: 509-527-3200

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Dear Sir or Madam:

I am sending this fax as a request for information. I would like to obtain a copy of each of the Ordinances that establish the current 911 surcharge for wireless and wire lines in Walla Walla County. I am specifically looking for the current rate information and the date these rates became effective. I would also like to obtain a copy of the ordinance or resolution that establishes the most recent Local Sales Tax.

The company I represent packages tax and fee information for the telecommunications industry. The information we receive from the Counties and Municipalities ensures that our customers (the telephone companies) are collecting the proper revenues for the different government entities.

Please fax the information toll-free to 1-800-525-8175. If the documentation is too lengthy, you can mail it to:

BillSoft, Inc.
8220 Marshall Drive
Lenexa, KS 66214
Attn: Rochelle Howard

Thank you for your time. If you have any questions, please call me toll-free at 1-800-525-8175, extension 325. I appreciate any information you can provide.

Regards,

Rochelle Howard

8220 Marshall Drive · Lenexa, KS 66214 · (913) 859-9674 · FAX: (913) 888-7963 [USA]

Ordinances:

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ORDINANCE NO. 214

AN ORDINANCE IN THE MATTER OF AN ENHANCED 911 EXCISE TAX ON THE USE OF SWITCHED ACCESS LINES

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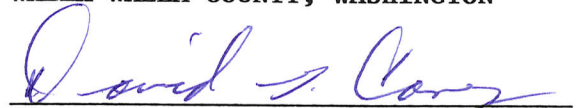
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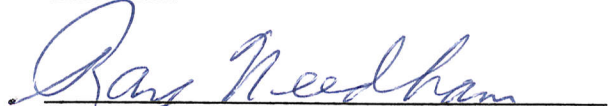
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Dated this 8th day of December, 1992.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Chairman


Commissioner


Commissioner

Attest:


Clerk of the Board

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BY Co. Commissioners

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JANICE E. BATES
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Walla Walla County, Washington

By: Eryls Fink
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

(Published Eve. November 30, 1992)

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF WASHINGTON, } ss.
County of Walla Walla

Kenneth L. Hatch, being first duly sworn upon oath deposes and says:

I am controller
of the Walla Walla Union-Bulletin, Inc., Publisher of the
WALLA WALLA UNION
WALLA WALLA DAILY BULLETIN

approved as a legal newspaper by order of the Superior Court of the State of Washington, in and for Walla Walla County; as such officer I make this affidavit on behalf of said publisher.

The legal notice, a true copy of which is annexed hereto, was published in the regular issues (and not in supplement form) of said newspaper, once each week for a period of One day ~~consecutive weeks~~, commencing on the 30th day of November, 1992, and ending on the 30th day of November, 1992, both dates inclusive, and said newspaper was regularly distributed to its subscribers during all of said period. The full amount of the fee charged

for the foregoing publication is the sum of \$ 87.15; which amount has been paid in full.

Kenneth L. Hatch

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of

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Proof of Publication

Case No. _____

STATE OF WASHINGTON,
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ss.

Ron Smith

, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and says: That he is the Publisher of The Times, a weekly newspaper which has been established, published in the English language, and circulated continuously as a weekly newspaper in the City of Waitsburg, and in said County and State, and of general circulation in said County for more than six (6) months prior to the date of the first publication of the Notice hereto attached.

That said newspaper is the official newspaper of the City of Waitsburg and of the County of Walla Walla.

That The Times was, on the 14th day of June, 1955, approved as a legal newspaper by the Superior Court of said Walla Walla County, and that the annexed is a true copy of a

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as it appeared in the regular and entire issue of said newspaper itself and not in a supplement thereof for a period of two consecutive weeks, commencing on the 26 day of November, 19 92 and ending on the 3 day of December, 19 92 and that said newspaper was regularly distributed to its subscribers during all of this period.

That the full amount of \$ 113.40 has been paid in full, at the rate of \$ 4.05 per column inch.

Ron Smith, Publisher

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

3 day of December, 19 92

Bettie L. Chase

Notary Public in and for the State of Washington,
Residing at Waitsburg, Washington 99361

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

IN THE MATTER OF AN)
ENHANCED 911 EXCISE) ss.
TAX ON THE USE OF)
SWITCHED ACCESS LINES)

I, Being first duly sworn on oath depose and say;

That on the 24th day of November 19 92, I posted three notices,
of which the attached is a true and correct copy, at the following locations:

✓ Bulletin Board at the County Courthouse 11/24/92

✓ Bulletin Board at City Hall - 11/24/92

✓ Bulletin Board at Public Library - 11/24/92

all in Walla Walla, Washington.

Signature/Title

Elys Fink

Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

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By: Erlys Fink
Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

Publish: The Times
November 26 and December 3, 1993

PLEASE SEND STATEMENT TO: Walla Walla County Commissioners
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By: Erlys Fink
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Publish: Walla Walla Union-Bulletin
November 30, 1992

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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IN THE MATTER OF AN ENHANCED
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RESOLUTION NO. 92 490

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David S. Can
Chairman

Ray Needham - Excused

Commissioner

Charles A. Marden

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Constituting the Board of County Commissioners
of Walla Walla County, Washington.

MEMORANDUM

To: Commissioners
From: Jim Nagle
Subject: Enhanced 911 Tax

In order to satisfy the city's request that excess funds be used for emergency services communications and not just enhanced 911, the following changes can be made in the proposed ordinance, a copy of which has been sent to your printer:

Section 3.16.020 change "enhanced 911 system" to "emergency services communications system"

Section 3.16.060 add "and for emergency services communications systems"

Use of tax revenue for emergency services communications systems is a use permitted by the statute authorizing the county to levy such a tax.

*Ordinance
adopted 12/8/92
with chgs.*

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WALLA WALLA COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

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MEMORANDUM

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To: Commissioners
From: Jim Nagle
Subject: Enhanced 911 Tax

*Review with
Bd. 6/14 setting
hearing date -*

A draft of the proposed tax ordinance is attached for
advise of any changes or questions.

-w. Please

See Revised

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COMMISSIONERS

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seconded by Dick Dixon. Motion passed with Jeanne Massingham, Joe Hommel, Greg Taylor, Doug Gehrke, Phil Moeller, Sue Holliday, and Fran Besserman abstaining. The E911 Office has prepared and transmitted a written response to the WUTC reflecting the Advisory Committees' recommendation.

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Enhanced 911 Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

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ALTERNATES PRESENT: Sue Holliday alternate for W. Harvey Simpson

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Kate Heimbach, Interim Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. Ms. Heimbach introduced the newest member of the Advisory Committee, Ken Conte. Mr. Conte is the new Senior Analyst for the House Energy & Utilities Committee, replacing Fred Adair. Mr. Adair retired as the Senior Analyst for the House Energy & Utilities Committee at the end of September. A letter thanking Mr. Adair for his efforts to promote statewide E911 was circulated and signed by all Committee members and staff that were present. Staff mailed this letter of appreciation to Mr. Adair.

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Pend Oreille County Inquiry:

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Draft E911 Survey Results:

Ken Back distributed a draft of the final E911 Survey results to the Committee members for review. He stated that an executive summary section will be added explaining the rationale and methodology of the survey along with the findings and conclusions. It was suggested that the completed document be distributed at the State Association of Counties November meeting in Spokane. Noel Mhyre added that he would like to distribute a completed survey document to the members of the Washington Fire Commissioner's Association.

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ACTION ITEM: NOVEMBER WUTC DEADLINE

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Thera Bradshaw presented her Subcommittee's work on the local plans issue. She indicated she started with a document published by the Massachusetts Statewide Emergency Telecommunications Board. The comprehensive document includes a planning guide as well as draft standards. She also had reviewed similar documents from Texas and Oregon. Ms. Bradshaw suggested that this very rough draft of the planning guide document be considered as a starting point for our planning guide purposes and modified as necessary to meet the needs of the State of Washington.

Decision/Recommendation: Following a brief discussion of the planning guide document, Ross Morris suggested that the E911 Office do an initial edit. This would involve doing an extensive cleanup of common terms used such as changing telephone companies to vendors, municipalities to counties, and the use of definitions in ESHB 1938 wherever applicable. The Committee agreed that they should also be editing in the interim before the November meeting.

Discussion shifted back to the local funding issue and proposed scenarios. It was suggested that one of the funding scenarios include the concept of regionalization and how the funding formula might be structured in such a way as to encourage counties to take advantage of economies of scale and consider multi-county or regional E911 systems.

It was concluded that the Committee members should provide input to Ross Morris's Components Subcommittee before the November 19 meeting. John Matthews suggested that the various subcommittees use Thera Bradshaw's document as a starting point and fold into it the recommendations of their respective subcommittees. Jeanne Massingham also suggested that a section be added to the document called "Preliminary Planning".

Fran Bessermin raised the issue of the need to begin getting state funds to local 911 programs as soon as possible. She suggested the State Office and Advisory Committee look at the possibility of providing some type of early initial allocations for planning or possibly addressing. Greg Taylor noted that the

Committee still needs to determine the basic state fundable components of E911, develop a simple funding formula, and get some of the funds out the door quickly. Thera Bradshaw cautioned against getting funds out too quickly without an adequate planning process. Dennis Hofstad suggested focusing on reimbursable E911 expenses as a possible way to get funds out quickly. Phil Moeller raised another potential concern. Through ESHB 1938 the state is essentially mandating that the counties implement E911 by 1998. Initiative 62 says that the state cannot mandate local programs unless they provide the funding to carry out the programs. Some counties have as yet not passed their local 50¢ tax ordinances and might potentially raise Initiative 62 as a reason not to do so. It was agreed that in setting up a funding formula, we need to incorporate incentives to truly reward the counties that have made concerted early efforts toward E911 implementation with local funds. Bob Oenning suggested looking closer at issues of what the money is spent on. The Committee needs to look closer at the definitions on what is fundable.

8. COMMUNICATION ISSUES

Kate Heimbach asked whether or not information about the E911 program was getting out to interested parties. Dan Aycock suggested press releases on E911 activities be put out periodically. Jeanne Massingham suggested sending the minutes of the Advisory Committee meetings to the 39 county contacts identified in the E911 County Survey. Ms. Heimbach assured the Committee that these contacts will start receiving the Advisory Committee minutes. It was also suggested that a press release be prepared and distributed once the new E911 Coordinator is hired.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Ken Back explained that the WUTC has asked for the Committees' position on a request from the Toledo Telephone Company for a waiver from the WUTC requirement to submit an E911 tariff. All telephone companies operating in Washington have been required by the WUTC to file E911 tariffs, and most have already done so. In their request for the Advisory Committees' opinion in this matter the WUTC noted that one of the original reasons for tariffing 911 service was that local 911 coordinators and elected officials basically encouraged the WUTC to require it in lieu of contracts. Following a discussion of the rationale of the desirability of having E911 tariffs, Greg Taylor made a motion to recommend that the Toledo Telephone Company be required to file the tariff utilizing the services of WITA and the model tariff to make it easier for them to comply. Sherry Appleton amended this motion to state: "The E911 Advisory Committee recommends that Toledo file their tariff according to the WUTC rules." John Matthews further amended the motion to recommend to the WUTC that a waiver not be granted for the Toledo Telephone Company. This motion was

seconded by Dick Dixon. Motion passed with Jeanne Massingham, Joe Hommel, Greg Taylor, Doug Gehrke, Phil Moeller, Sue Holliday, and Fran Besserman abstaining. The E911 Office has prepared and transmitted a written response to the WUTC reflecting the Advisory Committees' recommendation.

In other new business, Greg Taylor recommended that PBX Work Group members be reimbursed for their travel expenses when on Work Group business. This involves six non-Advisory Committee members. Kate Heimbach assured the Committee members that such a reimbursement can be done, and Mr. Taylor's request was approved.

10. OLD BUSINESS

Joe Hommel discussed the required report to the WUTC on the continuation of the 20¢ state excise tax in 1993. The report was prepared by E911 Office staff and submitted to the WUTC on August 31, 1992. Mr. Hommel stated that the report had been reviewed by staff and placed on WUTC's consent agenda for their October 28 meeting. He suggested that representatives from the Committee consider meeting with the WUTC Commissioners to further explain the content and recommendations of the report. Kate Heimbach and Jim Quackenbush agreed to meet with the Commissioners on an individual basis before their October 28 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

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