

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-21  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Pend Oreille County, Washington

In the matter of declaring the County's intent to create an Emergency Medical Services District as authorized by RCW 36.32.480; and scheduling public hearings on the formation of an Emergency Medical Services District.

Be it resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of Pend Oreille County, Washington, as follows:

Section 1.      Findings/Recital

- 1.1      Emergency medical services (EMS) include both Basic Life Support (primarily provided by Emergency Medical Technicians) and Advanced Life Support (primarily provided by paramedics). Emergency medical services have been provided in Pend Oreille County under different programs and by different entities such as fire protection districts and private industry partners.
- 1.2      RCW 36.32.480 authorizes a county to create an emergency medical service district to provide EMS services within all or any part of the unincorporated area of the county; and, when approved by a city or town, within an incorporated city or town.
- 1.3      An emergency medical service district is a separate quasi-municipal corporation and an independent taxing "authority" within the meaning of Article 7, Section 1 of the Washington State Constitution. Emergency medical service districts are also authorized as "taxing authorities" within the meaning of Article 7, Section 2 of the Washington State Constitution.
- 1.4      The cities and towns of Newport, Cusick, Ione, Metaline and Metaline Falls have each adopted a resolution approving the inclusion in the emergency medical services district to be created by the County.
- 1.5      The County Commissioners have consulted with representatives from the cities, towns, fire protection districts and the public hospital district throughout the County. A coordinated system of EMS services is in the best interests of the citizens of the County. An emergency medical service district can serve as a base for stable funding and coordination of EMS services for all of the County, or those parts determined by the County appropriate for EMS service. The County Commissioners believe the public health, safety and general welfare of Pend Oreille County is best served by the creation of an emergency medical service district.
- 1.6      Prior to creating an emergency medical service district, a public hearing or hearings are to be held. It is the purpose of this resolution to set public hearings

for the consideration of the creation of an emergency medical service district. The proposal is for a County-wide district. But following the hearings, the Commissioners may determine that, if an emergency medical service district is created, the boundaries of such district may encompass all or portions of the County. Action by the Commissioners following the public hearings will be by ordinance.

Section 2. Public Hearings Authorized and Directed. Public hearings on the formation of an emergency medical service district within Pend Oreille County are hereby authorized and directed as follows:

- (1) DATE: Tuesday, July 11, 2017 TIME: 3:00 p.m., Commissioner Meeting Room, County Courthouse, Newport.
- (2) DATE Thursday, July 13, 2017 TIME: 7:00 p.m., Ione Community Center.

At such places and times, the Commissioners will hear and consider public comment on the creation of an emergency medical service district in all or a portion of the County. No action to create an emergency medical service district will be taken at the public hearings. Any such action will be considered at a later, regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.

ADOPTED by the Pend Oreille County Board of County Commissioners this 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 2017, at a regular, open public meeting.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
NEWPORT, WASHINGTON

  
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Karen Skoog, Chair

  
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Stephen Kiss, Vice-Chair

  
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Mike Manus, Member

ATTEST:

  
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Rhonda Cary, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Dolly Hunt, Prosecuting Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 10317

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION OF THE CITY OF NEWPORT  
WITHIN THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT PROPOSED  
FOR PEND OREILLE COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services (EMS) have been provided in Pend Oreille County under different programs and by different entities such as fire protection districts and private industry partners; and

**WHEREAS**, the private emergency services provider has ceased operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County Commissioners have consulted with numerous representatives of cities, towns, and fire protection districts, as well as representatives of the public hospital district; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that an emergency medical service district can serve as a base for stable funding and appears to be the most viable method of providing a coordinated system of emergency medical services for all of the County, or those parts determined by the County appropriate for EMS services; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (2) provides that: *“When any part of a proposed emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the governing body of the city or town shall approve the inclusion, and the county governing body shall maintain a certified copy of the resolution of approval before adopting an ordinance including that area”*; and

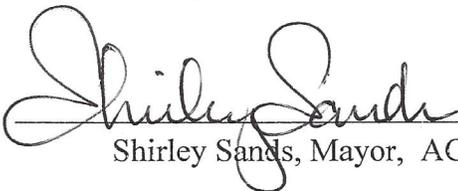
**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (3) states that: *“PROVIDED, That where an emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the emergency medical service district may be governed as provided in an interlocal agreement adopted pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW.”*

1.02

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF NEWPORT,  
WASHINGTON, as follows:**

1. The Board of County Commissioners is encouraged to create an emergency medical service (EMS) district in Pend Oreille County to serve the citizens;
2. The inclusion of the area within the City's corporate limits in the proposed emergency medical service district is approved; and
3. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to immediately forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Clerk of the Board of Pend Oreille County Commissioners.
4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from the date of passage.

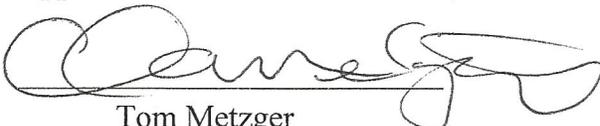
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, ~~2016~~ 2017

  
Shirley Sands, Mayor, ACML

Attest:

  
Nickole North  
City Clerk, MMC, CPFA

Approved as to Form:

  
Tom Metzger  
City Attorney

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RESOLUTION NO. 2017-01

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION OF THE TOWN OF METALINE  
WITHIN THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT PROPOSED  
FOR PEND OREILLE COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services (EMS) have been provided in Pend Oreille County under different programs and by different entities such as fire protection districts and private industry partners; and

**WHEREAS**, the private emergency services provider has ceased operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County Commissioners have consulted with numerous representatives of cities, towns, and fire protection districts, as well as representatives of the public hospital district; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that an emergency medical service district can serve as a base for stable funding and appears to be the most viable method of providing a coordinated system of emergency medical services for all of the County, or those parts determined by the County appropriate for EMS services; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (2) provides that: *“When any part of a proposed emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the governing body of the city or town shall approve the inclusion, and the county governing body shall maintain a certified copy of the resolution of approval before adopting an ordinance including that area”*; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (3) states that: *“PROVIDED, That where an emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the emergency medical service district may be governed as provided in an interlocal agreement adopted pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW.”*

3.08

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF METALINE, WASHINGTON, as follows:**

1. The Board of County Commissioners is encouraged to create an emergency medical service (EMS) district in Pend Oreille County to serve the citizens;
2. The inclusion of the area within the Town's corporate limits in the proposed emergency medical service district is approved; and
3. The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to immediately forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Clerk of the Board of Pend Oreille County Commissioners.
4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from the date of passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 8 day of MARCH, 2017

  
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, Mayor

Attest:

  
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, Clerk

Approved as to Form:

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, Attorney

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RESOLUTION NO. 2017-1

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION OF THE TOWN OF IONE WITHIN  
THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT PROPOSED  
FOR PEND OREILLE COUNTY

WHEREAS, emergency medical services (EMS) have been provided in Pend Oreille County under different programs and by different entities such as fire protection districts and private industry partners; and

WHEREAS, the private emergency services provider has ceased operations; and

WHEREAS, the Pend Oreille County Commissioners have consulted with numerous representatives of cities, towns, and fire protection districts, as well as representatives of the public hospital district; and

WHEREAS, it appears that an emergency medical service district can serve as a base for stable funding and appears to be the most viable method of providing a coordinated system of emergency medical services for all the County, or those parts determined by the County appropriate for EMS services; and

WHEREAS, RCW 36.32.480 (2) provides that: "*When any part of a proposed emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the governing body of the city or town shall approve the inclusion, and the county governing body shall maintain a certified copy of the resolution of approval before adopting an ordinance including that area*"; and

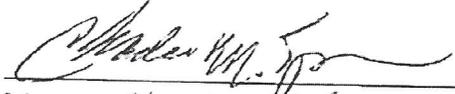
WHEREAS, RCW 36.32.480 (3) states that: "*PROVIDED, that where an emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the emergency medical service district may be governed as provided in an interlocal agreement adopted pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW.*"

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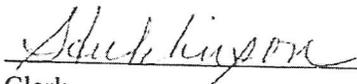
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF IONE,  
WASHINGTON, as follows:**

3. The Board of County Commissioners is encouraged to create an emergency medical service (EMS) district in Pend Oreille County to serve the citizens;
4. The inclusion of the area within the Town's corporate limits in the proposed emergency medical service district is approved; and
5. The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to immediately forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Clerk of the Board of Pend Oreille County Commissioners.
6. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from the date of passage.

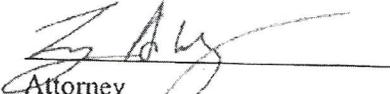
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017

  
  
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Mayor Charles H. Spears

Attest:

  
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Clerk

Approved as to Form:

  
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Attorney  
Logan A. Worley

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RESOLUTION NO. 2017-1

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION OF THE TOWN OF CUSICK  
WITHIN THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT PROPOSED  
FOR PEND OREILLE COUNTY

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical services (EMS) have been provided in Pend Oreille County under different programs and by different entities such as fire protection districts and private industry partners; and

**WHEREAS**, the private emergency services provider has ceased operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County Commissioners have consulted with numerous representatives of cities, towns, and fire protection districts, as well as representatives of the public hospital district; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that an emergency medical service district can serve as a base for stable funding and appears to be the most viable method of providing a coordinated system of emergency medical services for all the County, or those parts determined by the County appropriate for EMS services; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (2) provides that: "*When any part of a proposed emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the governing body of the city or town shall approve the inclusion, and the county governing body shall maintain a certified copy of the resolution of approval before adopting an ordinance including that area*"; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (3) states that: "*PROVIDED, that where an emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the emergency medical service district may be governed as provided in an interlocal agreement adopted pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW.*"

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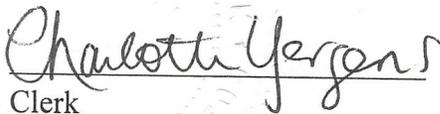
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF CUSICK,  
WASHINGTON, as follows:**

1. The Board of County Commissioners is encouraged to create an emergency medical service (EMS) district in Pend Oreille County to serve the citizens;
2. The inclusion of the area within the Town's corporate limits in the proposed emergency medical service district is approved; and
3. The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to immediately forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Clerk of the Board of Pend Oreille County Commissioners.
4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from the date of passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 10 day of April, 2017

  
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Mayor

Attest:

  
Clerk

Approved as to Form:

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Attorney

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Resolution #2017-01

**A Resolution of Town of Metaline Falls**

**AUTHORIZING INCLUSION OF THE TOWN OF METALINE FALLS  
WITHIN THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DISTRICT PROPOSED  
FOR PEND OREILLE COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, emergency medical service ( EMS ) have been provided in Pend Oreille County under different programs and by different entities such as fire protection districts and private industry partners; and

**WHEREAS**, the private emergency services provider has ceased operations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County commissioners have consulted with numerous representatives of cities, towns and fire protection districts, as well as representatives of the public hospital district; and

**WHEREAS**, it appears that an emergency medical service district can serve as a base for stable funding and appears to be the viable method of providing a coordinated system of emergency medical services for all the County, or those parts determined by the County appropriate for EMS services; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (2) provides that: When any part of a proposed emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the governing body of the city or town shall approve the inclusion, and the county governing body shall maintain a certified copy of the resolution of approval before adopting an ordinance including that area, and

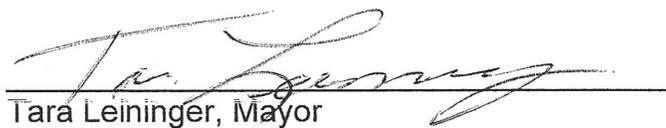
**WHEREAS**, RCW 36.32.480 (3) states: That where an emergency medical service district includes an area within the corporate limits of a city or town, the emergency medical service district may be governed as provided in an Interlocal agreement adopted pursuant to chapter 39.34 RCW."

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF  
METALINE FALLS, WASHINGTON, as follows:**

1. The Board of County commissioners is encouraged to create an emergency medical service (EMS) district in Pend Oreille County to serve the citizens; and
2. The inclusion of the area within the Town's corporate limits in the proposed emergency medical service district is approved; and
3. The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to immediately forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Clerk of the Board of Pend Oreille County Commissioners.
4. This Resolution shall take effect and be in full force from the date of passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017

  
Tara Leininger, Mayor

Attest:

  
Renee Kendrick, Clerk/Treasurer