

**COUNTY OF WARREN  
ORDINANCE 2-2003**

**ESTABLISHING THE CONTRIBUTION RATE FROM TELEPHONE  
SUBSCRIBERS IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN FOR THE NON-RECURRING  
COSTS, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF A COUNTY 911 SYSTEM**

**WHEREAS**, the County of Warren has developed a County Plan for a 911 system pursuant to the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act; and

**WHEREAS**, as a part of said County Plan, the County proposed to levy a contribution rate from all telephone subscribers in the County of Warren at One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) per telephone subscriber line; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Community Affairs and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Council have reviewed and approved said Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission has approved the contribution rate proposed in the County Plan;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the County of Warren, by its Board of Commissioners, ordains as follows:

**Section 1. Contribution Rate**

There is hereby established, pursuant to the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act, Act of July 9, 1990, P.L. 340, No. 78, a contribution rate, as defined in said Act of One Dollar and Fifty Cents (\$1.50) per month for each telephone subscriber line within the County of Warren.

**Section 2. Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall be in effect immediately; however, the assessment of the surcharge shall be made on March 1, 2004.

**Section 3. Collection**

Each service supplier providing local exchange telephone service within the County of Warren shall collect the contribution from each subscriber and forward the collection to the Warren County Treasurer at least quarterly. Each service supplier shall be entitled to deduct from said payments an amount approved by the Warren County Commissioners, but not exceeding two percent (2%) of the gross receipts collected, to cover actual administrative costs.

**Section 4. Billing**

Each service supplier shall add the contribution rate to each subscriber's bill in the manner and amount required under Section 7 of the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act.

**Section 5. Collection of Delinquent Accounts**

The service supplier shall not be responsible for the collection of delinquent contribution rates. The County of Warren shall be so responsible.

**Section 6. Collection Procedures**

A. Any subscriber who is delinquent in the payment of any contribution rate for a period of thirty (30) days shall be subject to a late payment penalty of 1.5% per month.

B. The County of Warren is authorized to use all procedures permitted by law for the collection of delinquent contribution rates, penalties and other costs of collection.

**Section 7. Deposit of Collections**

The County Treasurer shall maintain all collections under this Ordinance in a restricted account, to be known as the "911 System Account". The funds in said account shall be used only in the manner allowed under Section 7 of the Public Safety Emergency Telephone Act. The County shall retain one percent (1%) of the gross receipts collected to cover administrative costs.

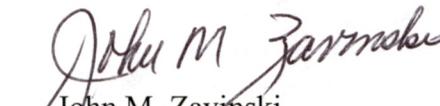
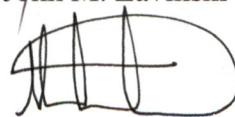
**Section 8. Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance are deemed to be severable. If any provision is found to be invalid or unenforceable, it shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining provisions.

**APPROVED, ORDAINED, AND ENACTED THIS 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2003**

WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

  
James P. Hunter  
Chairman

  
John M. Zavinski  
  
Steven A. Sigmund

Attest:

  
Diane C. Bloomgren  
Chief Clerk



