



# Orting Valley Fire and Rescue

Pierce County Fire District 18  
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## Resolution 2018-011

**A RESOLUTION of the Board of Fire Commissioners (the “Board”) of Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 18, (the “District”) establishing charges for responding to fires in areas outside the boundaries of the District, not within the boundaries of any other fire protection district, and for which the District does not have a contract for fire suppression services.**

**WHEREAS**, the District, from time to time, may respond to the scene of a fire (“Fire Response”) outside the boundaries of the District, not within the boundaries of any other fire protection district, and for which the District does not have a contract for services (the “No District Areas”);

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to RCW 52.12.111, the District is authorized by statute to respond to fires under such conditions as the Board of Commissioners of the District may prescribe;

**WHEREAS**, the District recognizes that individuals residing and owning property in the No District Areas do not by virtue of such residency or property ownership pay real property taxes, directly or indirectly, which partially fund the operation of the District and the acquisition of District property and equipment.

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to RCW 52.12.111, the Board determines that providing Fire Responses in No District Areas without compensation would subsidize owners in such areas at the expense of District taxpayers and others who voluntarily contract with the District for service;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the District determines that its costs should be recovered for responding to fires in No District Areas to avoid subsidizing such areas.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED,**

**Section 1.** “No District Areas,” as used herein, shall mean a physical location to which the District responds that is outside the boundaries of the District, not within the boundaries of any other fire protection district, and for which the District does not have a contract for fire suppression services.

**Section 2.** The Board hereby adopts a reasonable charge for producing Fire Response to the No District Areas, which shall be assessed according to the Washington State Fire Chiefs Wage and Equipment Rates for the Washington State Fire Service.

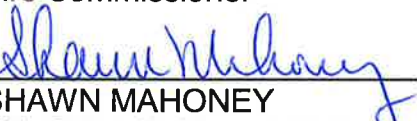
**Section 3.** The Chief of the District is authorized and directed to collect the established charges in accordance with the following procedures:

- (A) The District or its agent shall issue a billing statement to the recipient of the Fire Response no later than fourteen (14) days after the services have been rendered.
- (B) For bills not paid within thirty (30) days after the initial billing, a follow-up billing shall be sent.
- (C) For bills not paid within thirty (30) days after the follow-up billing, a final billing shall be sent.
- (D) For bills not paid within thirty (30) days after the final billing, the debt may be assigned to a collection agency pursuant to RCW 19.16.500 or, if appropriate, written off as an uncollectable debt at the discretion of the Fire Chief.
- (E) The District reserves the right to waive any bill on a case-by-case basis if financial hardship is demonstrated by the recipient of the service.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 18, at an open public meeting thereof this 21st day of August 2018, of which notice was given in the manner provided by law, the following Commissioners being present and voting.

Pierce County Fire Protection District No. 18.

By:   
TOM MARINO  
Fire Commissioner

By:   
SHAWN MAHONEY  
Fire Commissioner

By:   
ARLENE DANNAT  
Fire Commissioner

By:   
KEVIN GORDER  
Fire Commissioner

By:   
MARGARET O'HARRA BUTTZ  
Fire Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
KIM KEMP, District Secretary  
Board of Fire Commissioners