

FERRY COUNTY  
RESOLUTION NO. 2014-09

AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2005-33

APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF LIMITED FEES ON COURT FILINGS AND MARRIAGE LICENSES TO FUND A COURTHOUSE FACILITATOR PROGRAM ENACTED TO ASSIST FERRY COUNTY RESIDENTS WITH LEGAL PAPERWORK FOR FAMILY LAW CASES;

WHEREAS, the Washington State legislature has authorized counties to establish Courthouse facilitator programs to provide basic services to parties of court proceedings who do not have attorneys; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State legislature has authorized counties to impose user fees and a surcharge of up to twenty dollars on Superior Court cases filed under Title 26 RCW for the purpose of funding such a program, pursuant to RCW 26.12.240; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State legislature has also authorized counties to collect up to fifteen dollars on marriage licenses for the purpose of funding family services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners seeks to increase the current fees from ten to twenty dollars to assist the residents of Ferry County who are involved in family law litigation and do not have an attorney.

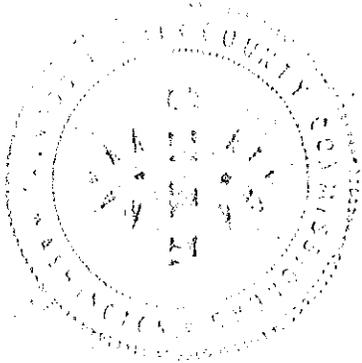
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Ferry County that a part-time contract court facilitator shall be provided for and shall be managed by the Ferry County Clerks Office to assist litigants in the preparation and filing of paperwork in family law cases; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cost and expense of the facilitator position established above shall be funded and paid out of a twenty dollar surcharge, which shall be assessed by the Ferry County Clerk in addition to filing fees otherwise allowed by law on cases filed under Title 26 RCW. In addition, a non-refundable user fee of up to twenty dollars per appointment is established. The fees imposed by this resolution shall be collected by the Clerk, effective June 1st, 2014 and deposited in the Court Facilitator Program Fund, to be used to pay the costs and expenses of the Court Facilitator and Facilitator Program.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that there hereby established a fifteen dollar increase to the current fee for marriage licenses that shall be applied toward funding the courthouse facilitator program.

DATED this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2014.



FERRY COUNTY, WASHINGTON

*absent*

MIKE BLANKENSHIP, Chairman

*Brad Miller*

BRAD MILLER, Commissioner

*Brian Dinsel*

BRIAN DANSEL, Commissioner

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PAMELA STODDARD, Clerk of the Board