

**PEND OREILLE COUNTY  
NEWPORT, WASHINGTON**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021- 79**

**IN THE MATTER OF SETTING SALARIES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND  
RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2008-47**

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners, pursuant to RCW 36.17.020, is authorized to establish the salaries of the elected officials of the County, except for Superior and District Court Judges; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners enacted Resolution No. 2008-47, establishing the Pend Oreille County Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials to set the salaries of the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners as set forth in RCW 36.17.024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County Citizens' Commission on Salaries met on June 4, 2021 and set the salaries of the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners at 35% of Superior Court Judges, as set by the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials (WCCSEO); and

**WHEREAS**, the Pend Oreille County Citizens' Commission also recommended that the salaries of the County Commissioners be set by utilizing the WCCESO instead of the local citizen's commission; and

**WHEREAS**, other Washington counties use the salary established for Superior Court Judges as set by the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials (WCCSEO), and published in RCW 43.03.012, as a benchmark to set salaries for County elected officials; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Pend Oreille County Board of Commissioners to establish Pend Oreille County elected officials' salary rates based upon a percentage of the established salary for Superior Court Judges as set by WCCSEO.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, Resolution No. 2008-47 is rescinded and that the Pend Oreille County Citizens' Commission of Salaries for Elected Officials is hereby disbanded, and this resolution shall supersede all other enacted Pend Oreille County resolutions related to the Pend Oreille County Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND HEREBY ORDERED** the annual salaries of the Pend Oreille County elected officials shall be based upon a percentage of the published salary set by WCCSEO for Superior Court Judges as follows:


1. Effective the first pay period in January, 2022, the salaries for the Pend Oreille County Assessor, Pend Oreille County Auditor, Pend Oreille County Clerk, and Pend Oreille County Treasurer shall be 35% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salaries, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
2. Effective the first pay period in January, 2022, the salary for the Pend Oreille County Sheriff shall be 48% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salary, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
3. Effective the first pay period in January, 2022, the County's portion of the salary for the Pend Oreille County Prosecutor shall be 31% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salary, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
4. Effective the first pay period in January, 2022, the salary for Pend Oreille County Commissioner District 1, Pend Oreille County Commissioner District 2, and Pend Oreille County Commissioner District 3 shall be 35% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salaries, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
5. Effective the first pay period in January, 2023, the salaries for the Pend Oreille County Assessor, Pend Oreille County Auditor, Pend Oreille County Clerk, and Pend Oreille County Treasurer shall be 36% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salaries, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
6. Effective the first pay period in January, 2023, the salary for the Pend Oreille County Sheriff shall be 49% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salary, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
7. Effective the first pay period in January, 2023, the County's portion of the salary for the Pend Oreille County Prosecutor shall be 32% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salary, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
8. Effective the first pay period in January, 2024, the salaries for the Pend Oreille County Assessor, Pend Oreille County Auditor, Pend Oreille County Clerk, and Pend Oreille County Treasurer shall be 37% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salaries, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.

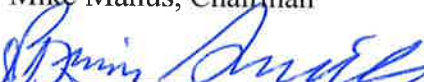
9. Effective the first pay period in January, 2024, the salary for the Pend Oreille County Sheriff shall be 50% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salary, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.
10. Effective the first pay period in January, 2024, the County's portion of the salary for the Pend Oreille County Prosecutor shall be 33% of the salary established for Superior Court Judges by the Washington State Citizens' Commission on Salary, published on the Commission's website and in RCW 43.03.012.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND HEREBY ORDERED** that the salaries for Pend Oreille County elected officials, including any future salary changes, be based on and tied to the established Superior Court salary set by WCCSEO such that any published change to Superior Court Judges' salary shall result in the applicable percentage, detailed above, change to the salaries of Pend Oreille County elected officials effective the first pay period in January following the published salary change, and will stay at that salary through December 31.

ADOPTED this 13 day of July, 2021.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
PEND OREILLE COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
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Mike Manus, Chairman

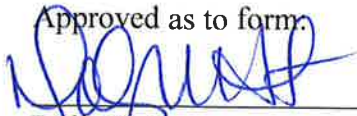
  
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Crystal Zieske, Clerk of the Board

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Dolly N. Hunt – Prosecuting Attorney