PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Proposed Fee Schedule for the Lincoln County Animal Shelter

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners will hold a **public hearing** to receive public comment on **Resolution 2025-11**, a proposal to establish a fee schedule for services provided by the Lincoln County Animal Shelter.

The proposed fees cover licensing, impoundment, adoption, microchipping, daily boarding, and owner surrender of animals, and are intended to recover service costs and promote responsible pet ownership in the community.

Date of Public Hearing: July 2, 2025

Time: 10:30 am

Location: Lincoln County Courthouse, 512 California Avenue, Libby, MT 59923

Summary of Proposed Fees:

License Fees:

Lifetime License Fee (Must be Spayed or Neutered): \$25.00

Duplicate Tag Fee: \$1.00

Annual License Fee – Spayed/Neutered: \$5.00*

*One free license per household if the owner is over 62 years old and the dog is altered.

Annual License Fee – Unaltered: \$10.00

All annual licenses expire on June 30th each year.

Impoundment Fees:

Licensed Animal: First Offense: \$20.00

Repeat Offense (during the same year): Double the initial fee

Unlicensed Animal: First Offense: \$30.00

Repeat Offense (during the same year): Double the initial fee

Unaltered Animal: First Offense: \$30.00

Repeat Offense (during the same year): Double the initial fee

Unlicensed and Unaltered Animal:

First Offense: \$40.00

Repeat Offense (during the same year): Double the initial fee

Daily Boarding Fees:

Daily Boarding: \$20.00/day

The daily boarding fee will apply to all impounded animals at the Animal Shelter.

Owner Surrender Fees:

Owner Surrender: \$20.00

Adoption Fees:

Puppies (<6 months) and Dogs under 25 pounds: \$125.00

Adult Dogs (up to 7 years): \$100.00 Seniors (Dogs >7 years): \$75.00 Kittens (<6 months): \$70.00

Adult Cats (up to 7 years): \$55.00 Seniors (Cats >7 years): \$40.00

Microchipping Fees: Standard Microchip: \$20.00 Mini Microchip: \$25.00

A complete copy of the proposed resolution and fee schedule is available at the Lincoln County Health Department and will be provided at the hearing.

Public participation is encouraged. All interested persons will be given the opportunity to comment in person at the hearing. Written comments may be submitted in advance.

Anyone seeking more information or wishing to submit comments before the hearing may contact: **Kathi Hooper** Lincoln County Health Department Director. 418 Mineral Ave. Libby, MT 59923. Email: khooper@libby.org Phone: **(406) 283-2440**