ORDINANCE 87- 53

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FIFTY CENT (\$.50) FEE PER TELEPHONE LINE IN NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A "911" SYSTEM; PROVIDING FOR A SEPARATE AUDIT ACCOUNT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE FOR THE TELEPHONE COMPANY; PROVIDING A PENALTY SECTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida, has been made aware of the critical need for a "911" system in Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, that the State of Florida has provided for a recurring "911" fee on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has held public hearing on said fee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED this 22nd day of September, 1987, by the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County, Florida:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE: It is in the public interest to shorten the time required for the citizens of Nassau County to request and receive emergency aid. The "911" system will enable the citizenry to request and receive said aid and the fifty cent (\$.50) fee, allowed by the State of Florida, will insure that the necessary equipment and service will be obtained.

SECTION 2. AUTHORIZATION AND FEE:

- (1) The Board of County Commissioners hereby imposes a fee, pursuant to <u>Florida Statutes</u>, Chapter 365.171, to be paid by the local exchange subscribers within the boundaries served by the "911" service.
- (2) The Board of County Commissioners requests that the telephone company spread the payment of the non-recurring charges for the "911" service and equipment over the maximum period of time.

(3) The telephone company shall bill said non-recurring and recurring charges for operation and maintenance, pro-rata to the local exchange subscribers served by the "911" service on an individual access line basis, at a rate not to exceed fifty cents (\$.50) per month per line (up to a maximum of twenty-five (25) access lines per account bill rendered).

SECTION 3. PROCEDURE: The Board of County Commissioners hereby adopts by reference, the provisions set forth in Florida Statutes, Chapter 365.171 (13) (14) (1987).

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall take effect as set forth by law.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY

GENE R. BLACKWELDER

Its: Chairman

ATTEST:

. J. GRÉESON

Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

THIS ORDINANCE WAS ADOPTED BY MAJORITY RULE ON THIS 22nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1987.