

RESOLUTION NO. 21-08
A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
RIDGWAY, COLORADO, ADOPTING THE NATIONAL
INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM CONCEPT OF
EMERGENCY PLANNING AND UNIFIED COMMAND

WHEREAS, the Town of Ridgway, Colorado (“Town”) is a home rule municipality and political subdivision of the State of Colorado (“State”) organized and existing under a home rule charter (“Charter”) pursuant to Article XX of the Constitution of the State; and

WHEREAS, the National Incident Management System, herein referred to as NIMS, has been identified by the Federal Government as being the requisite emergency management system for all political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, NIMS establishes a single, comprehensive approach to domestic incident management to ensure that all levels of government across the nation have the capability to work efficiently and effectively together using a national approach to domestic incident management; and

WHEREAS, Unified Command of such incidents is recognized as the management model to maximize the public safety response; and

WHEREAS, failure to adopt NIMS as the requisite emergency management system may preclude reimbursement to the political subdivision for costs expended during and after a declared emergency or disaster and for training and preparation for such disasters or emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Town has followed the NIMS approach since adoption of the *Town of Ridgway Emergency Operations Plan* in February 2019.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ridgway Town Council hereby adopts as part of the public policy the NIMS concept of emergency planning and unified command as its system of preparing for and responding to disaster incidents.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this ____ day of October 2021.

John Clark, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pam Kraft, Town Clerk