



RESOLUTION NO. 2024- 01-11-002

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT

### RESOLUTION OF THE KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL, AUTHORIZING THE LOCAL MATCH COMMITMENT TO THE INDIANA OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AND RURAL AFFAIRS WITH THE TOWN OF MENTONE

WHEREAS, the Kosciusko County Council recognizes the need to enhance the quality of life of residents; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, authorizes the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to provide grants to local units of government to meet the housing and community development needs of low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, the Kosciusko County was selected by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs as a participant in the Hoosiers Enduring Legacy Program to work with the local communities of Milford, Mentone, and Pierceton to create a Strategic Investment Plan that builds long-term capacity, develops attainable projects and leaves a legacy in the community; and

WHEREAS, as participants of the program, Kosciusko County and the participating Towns were awarded up to one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs to implement projects from the Strategic Investment Plan, which requires a minimum one-to-one match utilizing the American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Relief Funds allocated to each community; and

WHEREAS, the Kosciusko County Council agreed to award all one million dollars (\$1,000,000) to Milford, Mentone, and Pierceton to use on projects in their communities, additionally the Kosciusko County Council agreed to utilize up to one million two hundred thousand dollars (\$1,200,000) of their American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Relief Funds on projects in the County's Strategic Investment Plan to serve as part of the local match for the Towns' projects; and

WHEREAS, Kosciusko County has utilized three hundred two thousand seven hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$302,798) of their American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Relief Funds on the Sidney Broadband Infrastructure project, which was listed in the County's Strategic Investment Plan, and therefore eligible to be utilized as a portion of the participating Town's local match requirement; and

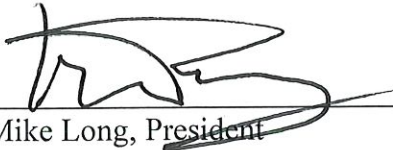
WHEREAS, The Town of Mentone is requesting a grant amount of two hundred eighty thousand six hundred sixty-two dollars (\$280,662) of Community Development Block Grant funding for their Mentzer Park Updates and Enhancement project and the Town of Mentone is committing two hundred two thousand nine hundred sixty-one dollars (\$202,961) from the Town's American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Relief Funds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of Kosciusko County, Indiana that:

1. The Kosciusko County Council endorses the Town of Mentone's application for grant funding for updates and enhancements at Mentzer Park, including but not limited to a new pavilion with restrooms and concessions, updated security and lighting, improved and expanded playground, resurfaced basketball court, accessible sidewalks, parking lot improvements, rehabilitation of a pedestrian bridge, and to execute and administer a resultant grant including requisite general administration and project management, contracts and agreements pursuant to regulations of the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.
2. The Kosciusko County Council hereby commits the necessary requisite local funds in the amount of seventy-seven thousand seven hundred and one dollars (\$77,701), in the form of the expenditure of ARPA-Coronavirus Relief funds on the Sidney Broadband Expansion project.

Adopted by the County Council of the Kosciusko County, Indiana this 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL

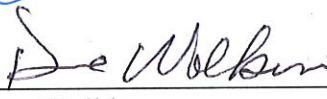
  
Mike Long, President

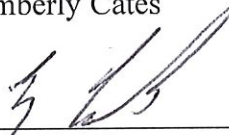
  
Sue Ann Mitchell

  
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Attest:

  
Rhonda Helser, County Auditor

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury,  
that I have taken reasonable care to redact  
each Social Security number in this  
document, unless required by law.

