

RESOLUTION NO. 22-05-595

AUTHORIZE A ONE-TIME FINANCIAL REIMBURSEMENT TO THE  
BRADFORD FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES INC.  
FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT

COMMISSIONERS/GENERAL COUNTY

Mr. Westfall introduced the following Resolution and moved for its adoption:

WHEREAS, the “American Rescue Plan Act of 2021” (ARP), H.R. 1319, Public Law 117-2, was signed into law by the President of the United states on March 11, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Section 603(b)(3) of the ARP sets aside a sum of funds available to Counties for use in accordance with its provisions referred to as the “Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund” (CLFRF); and

WHEREAS, the US Treasury adopted various rules attached to the use of these funds, having issued a final Rule on January 6, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Section 35.6(d) of the Final Rule provides for the use of a “standard allowance” or for the use of a calculation formula by which an entity may determine the amount of “revenue loss”, pursuant to Section 603(c)(1)(C) OF ARP, but provides that recipients “must make a one-time election” between those options; and

WHEREAS, the election provided for under Section 35.6(d)(1) of the Final Rule allowing a recipient to take up to \$10,000,000 as a standard allowance provides the County with more certainty as to exactly how much “revenue loss” funds may be used to provide for “the provision of government services” over the multi-year performance period allowed for use of ARP funds; and

WHEREAS, the Bradford Fire and Rescue Services Department’s Chief has requested the use of ARPA funds to provide resources to meet and address emergent public health needs through the use of proper equipment and supplies wherein the costs and the need for such equipment have been compounded by the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Bradford Fire and Rescue Services, Bradford, Ohio is a non-profit 501c3 organization and is requesting funds for reimbursement of purchased equipment including twenty (20) 4500psi Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) bottles (\$23,400) and fifteen (15) Motorola APX 6000XE replacement batteries (\$1,566.93) for handheld radios which were needed to better their radio and on-scene communications, whereas the prior apparatuses and batteries were rapidly approaching their end of service life; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the County of Miami, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1. As time is of the essence, the duly authorized representatives of the County are directed to take action under this resolution as soon as possible.

SECTION 2. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and any of its committees concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, all in compliance with Ohio's Sunshine Laws, including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code.

NOW THEREFORE be it FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Miami County Commissioners do hereby authorize a one-time financial reimbursement in the amount of \$24,966.93 to Bradford Fire and Rescue Services Inc., Bradford, Ohio for purchase of equipment, to be paid from Fund 198.

Mr. Simmons seconded the motion and the Board voted as follows upon roll call:

Mr. Mercer, Yea;                      Mr. Westfall, Yea;                      Mr. Simmons, Yea.

DATED: May 19, 2022

CERTIFICATION

I, Janelle S. Barga, Clerk to the Board of Miami County Commissioners, do hereby certify that this is a true and correct transcript of action taken by the Board under the date of May 19, 2022.

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Janelle S. Barga, Clerk

cc:     Journal  
       Files  
       Auditor  
       MCC – Carrie Vaughan  
       Requesting Party