

RESOLUTION NO. 22-06-673

AUTHORIZE A ONE-TIME FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE
LAURA FIRE DEPARTMENT
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 Laura Fire Department Fire 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 Laura Fire Department, Laura, Ohio is a non-profit 501c3 organization and is requesting the use of ARPA funds to purchase a generator that will allow the department to provide shelter to the residents of Laura, Ohio in times of power outages or in the event of a natural disaster and to keep the department’s equipment charged to respond to emergencies; and

WHEREAS, the Laura Fire Department shall make an audited account of any funds received from the County and provide this information to the County; 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 contribution in the amount of \$24,577.06 to Laura Fire Department, Laura, 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. Simmons, Yea; Mr. Mercer, Yea; Mr. Westfall, Yea.

DATED: June 7, 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 June 7, 2022.

Janelle S. Barga, Clerk

cc: Journal
 Files
 Auditor
 MCC – Carrie Vaughan
 Requesting Party