

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING FUND TO BE KNOWN AS THE ASHTABULA COUNTY AMERICAN RESCUE FUND

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 ARP sets aside a sum of funds available to Counties for use in accordance with its provisions; and,

WHEREAS, Section 603(c)(1) of ARP permits a County to utilize its portion of funds, subject to other limitations or exceptions contained in that Act, as quoted from the Act as follows:

(A) to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;

(B) to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID–19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the [...] county that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;

(C) for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such [...] county due to the COVID–19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the [...] or county prior to the emergency; or,

(D) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

WHEREAS, the County intends upon complying with the provisions of ARP in its use of the funds made available; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio State Auditor has directed Counties to create accounting and funding mechanisms to keep ARP funds and related transactions segregated from other funds and transaction by creating a special revenue fund and related expense accounts;

WHEREAS, there is hereby created in the Ashtabula County Treasury a fund to be known as the Ashtabula County American Rescue Fund for the purposes stated above; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners, Ashtabula County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. The Ashtabula County Auditor is hereby authorized to establish Fund 2003 to be named the American Rescue Fund.

Section 2. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board that resulted in those formal actions were in a meeting open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 3. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

**ASHTABULA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Resolution No. 2021-35FINA

June 01, 2021

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Upon the motion of J.P. Ducro IV, seconded by Casey R. Kozlowski.

VOTE:

Kathryn L. Whittington

Aye

J.P. Ducro IV

Aye

Casey R. Kozlowski

Aye

CERTIFICATE OF CLERK

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution acted upon and duly passed by the Board of County Commissioners of Ashtabula County, Ohio, on the date noted above.

Crystal Sturgill
Crystal Sturgill, Clerk of the Board, *Acting Clerk*
Board of County Commissioners
Ashtabula County, Ohio