

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024- 07-11-003**

**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 PIERCETON

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, 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 seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) on the County's Blueway/Greenway Trail Master Plan, therefore making these funds eligible to be utilized as a portion of the participating Towns' local match requirements; and


WHEREAS, The Town of Pierceton is requesting a grant amount of ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000) of Community Development Block Grant funding to create the Pierceton Master Water Utility Study and the Town of Pierceton is committing ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the Town's American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Relief Funds;

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

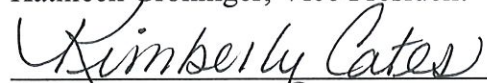
1. The Kosciusko County Council endorses the Town of Pierceton's application for grant funding for the Pierceton Master Water Utility Study, aiming to assess the overall condition and components of the Town's drinking water, wastewater collection and treatment, and storm drainage systems with a recommendation of the best alternatives.
2. The Kosciusko County Council hereby commits the necessary requisite local funds in the amount of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000), in the form of the expenditure of ARPA-Coronavirus Relief funds on the Sidney Broadband Expansion project as well as the Blueway/Greenway Trail Plan.

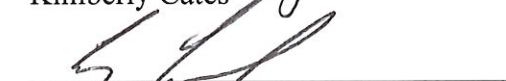
Adopted by the County Council of the Kosciusko County, Indiana this 11th day of July, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

KOSCIUSKO COUNTY COUNCIL


  
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Attest:

  
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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.

