

RESOLUTION 2018-11

Village of New Richmond, Ohio

Council for the Village of New Richmond, Ohio met in regular session this day of October 9, 2018 with the following members present:

Richard Feldkamp, Gary Skeene , Paul Vanderbosch, Melanie Slade, Amanda Davidson, Mary Allen

Councilperson Allen moved for adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE OHIO GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF THE OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO INVEST THE STATE BUDGET SURPLUS IN MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have been advised of Ohio Governor John Kasich's proposal to use the projected State of Ohio budget surplus of \$147 million at the end of the biennium to fund an income tax withholding reduction and bring the state's rainy day fund to its maximum legal limit; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio General Assembly has repeatedly decreased funding and revenue sharing in recent years by way of significantly reducing the Local Government Fund, eliminating the Estate Tax, and phasing out the Tangible Personal Property Tax; and

WHEREAS, this sudden revenue loss has made it increasingly difficult to provide basic services, rebuild infrastructure, and bolster public safety services to fight the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, when municipalities experience success in fostering safe communities, building sound infrastructure, and increasing economic development, the State of Ohio reaps the benefits as well.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Village of New Richmond, Ohio that:

Section 1. The Ohio General Assembly should distribute the budget surplus revenue to Ohio's municipalities at the end of the biennium, ensuring that these local communities are able to provide crucial services and improvements in infrastructure and public safety.

Section 2. This Council does hereby declare its opposition to Governor Kasich and the Ohio General Assembly depositing the state budget surplus into the rainy day fund and an income tax withholding reduction.

Councilperson Skeene seconded the motion to adopt the foregoing resolution and upon roll call the vote was as follows:

Paul Vanderbosch yes
Melanie Slade yes
Amanda Davidson absent
_____ Gary
Skeene yes
Richard Feldkamp
yes
Mary Allen yes

Adopted: Date: 10-09-2018

ATTEST:

Theresa Leigh
CLERK of COUNCIL, ~~Kelly Painter~~ Theresa Leigh

Ramona Carr
MAYOR, Ramona Carr

Approved as to form ~~and content~~:

Scott Sollmann
SOLICITOR, Scott Sollmann