

## RESOLUTION 2021-17

### VILLAGE OF NEW RICHMOND

Council for the Village of New Richmond met in regular session this 12 day of October, 2021 with the following members present:

Mary Allen Yes  
Beck Ploucha Yes

Larry Prues Yes  
Gary Skeene Yes

Melanie Slade Yes  
Richard Feldkamp Yes

Councilperson Prues moved for adoption of the following:

#### **Establishing A New Village Fund for the Accounting of Funds Received by the Village of New Richmond from the American Rescue Plan as Adopted by Congress in 2021**

**WHEREAS**, the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress and federal government of the United States of America adopted the American Rescue Plan ("ARP") which was signed into public law on March 11, 2021; and the Village of New Richmond has received round of CARES funding and previously created a separate COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund, the Village will or has received funds pursuant to the above-referenced American Rescue Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village New Richmond has received round of CARES funding and previously created a separate COVID-19 Coronavirus Relief Distribution Fund, the Village will or has received funds pursuant to the above-referenced American Rescue Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 5705.09 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Village of New Richmond, as a political subdivision, has the authority to establish a new fund without seeking the approval of the Auditor of State when it is in connection with a federal program with a restricted purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Village of New Richmond has determined that the establishment of a separate American Rescue Plan Fund with respect to receiving ARP funds and financial assistance is wise and beneficial to the vitality, financial security and welfare of the Village.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Village of New Richmond, Clermont County, Ohio, with a majority of its members elected thereto concurring:

1. There is created a new fund with by the Village Fiscal Officer that shall be entitled "American Rescue Plan Fund", and the Village Fiscal Officer has issued a fund number of #2152 with respect to these funds and such funds shall be non-reverting.
2. The purpose of the funds is to be used for only the following reasons as set forth in §603(C) of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 in accordance with US Treasury Guidance:
  - 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 to aid the 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 works of the village, non-entitlement unit of local government or county that are performing such essential, or by providing grants to eligible employers that eligible workers who perform essential work;
  - C. For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such village, non-entitlement unit of local government, or county due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the village non-entitlement unit of local government or county prior to the emergency; or
  - D. To make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure as approved by the US. Treasury.
3. The funds shall be appropriated by the Village Fiscal Officer and approved by Village Council before use.

4. All expenditure funds shall be approved by the Village Council with any and all claims to be paid by the Village's American Rescue Plan Fund.
5. If determined necessary, the Village Council may establish a plan, conditions, and rules upon which the funds are to be requested and used.
6. Any unused funds shall be paid back to the United States Treasury when required.
7. The Village Fiscal Officer shall keep accurate and complete financial records of the receipt and expenditure of any and all funds deposited and paid from this new American Rescue Plan Fund.
8. No money received in the American Rescue Plan Fund shall be used for any type of deposit into any pension fund.
9. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were taken in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including §121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.
10. That the Village by a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote hereby dispenses with the requirement that this Resolution be read on three separate days and hereby authorizes the adoption of the Resolution upon its first reading. That this Resolution shall be effective at the earliest date allowed by law.

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

Mary Allen	<u>Yes</u>
Larry Prues	<u>Yes</u>
Melanie Slade	<u>Yes</u>
Becky Ploucha	<u>Yes</u>
Gary Skeene	<u>Yes</u>
Richard Feldkamp	<u>Yes</u>

First Reading	<u>9/14/2021</u>
Second Reading	<u>9/28/2021</u>
Third Reading	<u>10/12/2021</u>

Adopted: October 12, 2021  
Date

ATTEST:

Glenn Ewing  
MAYOR, Glenn Ewing

Kathy Fuchs  
CLERK OF COUNCIL, Kathy Fuchs

Approved as to form:

Scott Sollmann  
SOLICITOR, Scott Sollmann