Township of West Milford

Passaic County, New Jersey

~ Resolution 2021 - 270 ~

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST MILFORD, COUNTY OF PASSAIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION IN THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS, ESTABLISHED BY THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

WHEREAS, THE American Rescue Plan of 2021 (P.L.117-2) was signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, the latest in a series of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) related relief and economic stimulus legislation; and

WHEREAS; of the \$130.2 billion allotted for local governments, the Township of West Milford has been allocated \$2,756,027.71 that will be provided in two tranches, with 50% provided beginning May 2021 and the balance delivered approximately 12 months later, and

WHEREAS, the funds may only be used to cover costs incurred between March 3, 2021 and December 31, 2024, any funds not expended by December 31, 2026 must be returned; and

WHEREAS, these funds may be used for purposes, including, but not limited to the following:

- Replacing lost public sector revenue, using this funding to provide government services to the extent of the deduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic;
- Supporting public health expenditures, by funding COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare and certain public health and safety staff;
- Addressing negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency, including economic harms to workers, households, small businesses, impacted industries and the public sector;
- Providing premium pay for essential workers, offering additional support to those who have borne and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors; and,
- Investing in water, sewer and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure and to expend access to broadband internet.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of West Milford, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that participation in the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and the receipt of \$2,756,027.71 in funding is in the best interest of the public.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and their respective designees are hereby authorized and directed to sign and file, or cause to be filed, on behalf of the Township, the Request for Funding, together with any such other documents, as may be necessary to effectuate the filing for the receipt of money from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Adopted: July 14, 2021

Adopted this 14 th day of July, 2021 and certified as a true copy of an original.
William Senande, Township Clerk