

RESOLUTION 2023-03-06-0  
TO AUTHORIZE AND SUPPORT THE SUBMISSION OF A  
REQUEST FOR FUNDS FROM THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 APPROPRIATIONS  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
SAFE DRINKING WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, Burtchville Township is committed to providing clean, safe drinking water to residential, commercial, agricultural and related zoning districts and households; and

WHEREAS, there remains a portion of land situated within the Burtchville Township boundaries that does not have direct access to clean, safe municipal drinking water and must rely on either shallow wells or tanker delivery of potable water; and

WHEREAS, access to clean and safe drinking water is considered crucial to public health and welfare, to the economic viability of a community, the value of property, and desirability of neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the township has received a petition from the affected property owners requesting access to clean drinking water and the township has sought financial assistance for this major public health project; and

WHEREAS, preliminary engineering designs and cost estimates indicate that total cost of designing and installing distribution lines and related infrastructure from the existing water distribution system to the areas in need will be approximately \$3,740,000; and

WHEREAS, Phase I of the project described as: beginning at M25 than West along Harris Road to State Road, and State Road south to Hillock Drive is estimated at \$2,720,000; and Phase II of the project West along Harris Road from State Road to Hemlock Drive and south down Hemlock Drive to State Road is estimated at \$1,020,000; and

WHEREAS, Burtchville Township has pledged a total of \$740,000 (20%) in project funding from both the township's Water Development and Maintenance Fund (\$300,000) and a set aside of American Rescue Program funding (\$240,000), and has secured a commitment from the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners (\$200,000);

WHEREAS, the 2024 Appropriations committee accounts include funding for assisting in providing clean drinking water infrastructure that would have direct and positive public impact;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Burtchville Township Board of Trustees does hereby support and authorize the administrative staff to prepare and submit the appropriate applications to request consideration of federal appropriations in the amount of up to \$3,000,000 to be combined with the township's local match funds of \$740,000 (20%) for the purpose of design and construction of additional water distribution system and related infrastructure to areas as described within the township boundaries in order to provide access to clean, safe, drinking water.

  
Burtchville Township, Clerk

3/6/2023