RESOLUTION **NO:** **2023-03-039**

LIVINGSTON COUNTY **DATE:** **March 27, 2023**

Resolution Authorizing Improvements to Oceola No. 1 Branch 2 County Drain and Distribution of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding – Drain Commissioner

WHEREAS, Resolution 2022-12-192 outlined a plan for the strategic use and distribution of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding; and

WHEREAS, a total of $6,175,870 of ARPA funding was identified for the Drain Commissioner's Office for water infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, the Drain Commissioner's Office is requesting $40,000 ~~$80,000~~ of this allocation for the purpose of conducting maintenance and improvement on the Oceola No. 1 Branch 2 County Drain. Historical problems with this system have resulted in a loss of farmland within the district and have negatively affected planting and harvesting schedules within the agricultural community. Improvements aim to address historically undersized and failing drainage tile that serves 4,346 acres of land and 650 individual properties within Oceola Township; and

WHEREAS, this is an eligible use of ARPA funding and will be listed under the *Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater* for federal reporting purposes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the amount of $40,000 ~~$80,000~~ of ARPA funds for drain maintenance and improvements, to be provided by J. Sebastian Trucking & Excavating, for the purpose of maintaining the County's subsurface water drainage infrastructure to the Drain Commissioner's Office for the Oceola No. 1 Branch 2 County Drain.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign all forms, assurances, contracts/agreements, and future amendments with contract language adjustments related to above upon review and/or preparation by Civil Counsel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes any budget amendments needed to effectuate this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that from the date of approval of this resolution until the project is completed, as outlined in Resolution 2022-12-192, the Drain Commissioner's Office shall provide a written update on the status of the project every three (3) months and shall present, in person, to the Finance and Asset Management Committee every six (6) months until the project is complete.

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