RESOLUTION NO. 41 - 2003

RESOLUTION AGREEING TO SUPPORT THE BUTLER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (BCDES) EFFORTS IN OBTAINING AN OHIO PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION GRANT FOR THE PORT UNION WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND APPROPRIATING \$36,000 IN BUDGET YEAR 2004 AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND DISPENSING WITH THE SECOND READING

WHEREAS, over the last decade, West Chester Township has experienced rapid growth and tremendous development: a 42.1% increase in resident population; a 42.0% increase in occupied households; over \$1.6 Billion in real and personal property investments; over 1 Billion square feet in new commercial construction; and,

WHEREAS, demands on public services and public infrastructure have increased dramatically because of the residential and commercial growth; and,

WHEREAS, West Chester Township and Butler County have adopted utility and infrastructure master plans, recommending infrastructure improvements that meet the increased service demands; and,

WHEREAS, based on the BCDES's infrastructure improvement master plan, it has been determined that replacement of existing water mains is necessary to increase capacity for and reliability of water service to the Port Union region of West Chester Township, along areas of State Route 747, Duff Drive, Dues Drive, and Farr Court for the Port Union Water System Improvement Project; and,

WHEREAS, the BCDES will apply for and may receive a grant from the Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) for the \$1.8M Port Union Water System Improvement Project; and,

WHEREAS, the eligibility of the said project for grant funding will be significantly increased if BCDES can demonstrate multi-jurisdictional financial cooperation with West Chester Township; and,

WHEREAS, the BCDES requests that West Chester Township agree to commit \$36,000 (2%) for the Port Union Water System Improvement Project and allow the BCDES to submit this Resolution as part of their OPWC grant application.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the West Chester Township Board of Trustees does hereby agree to:

SECTION 1. Endorse the Port Union Water System Improvement Project and agree for the project to be applied for and partially funded by an OPWC Grant administrated through the BCDES.

SECTION 2. Appropriate \$36,000 in the 2004 budget year toward the Port Union Water System Improvement Project.

SECTION 3. Resolve that this Resolution, being necessary to preserve the peace, health, safety or welfare of the citizens of West Chester Township, is declared an emergency and shall become effective upon its passage and without the need for a Second Reading.

| This resolution shall be adopted as an emergency necessary for the immediate preservation of the | ıe |
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| public peace, health, safety, or welfare of the community. | |

| Adopted this _ | 23rd | day of | <u>September</u> , 2003. | |
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| | | | David Tacosik | Yes/No |
| | | | Catherine Stoker | YES Yes / No |
| | | | Jose Alvarez | Yes/No |

ATTEST:

Patricia Williams, Township Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Donald L. Crain, Law Director

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION

Clerk Signature & Date

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