

TOWN OF HALIFAX, VT

RESOLUTION MARCH 29, 2024

RESOLUTION FOR AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) ALLOCATION

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the President of the United States signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the public health and economic impacts of the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, ARPA created the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) that provided direct funding to state, local, and Tribal governments across the country to support their response to and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Halifax has accepted an allocation of SLFRF in the amount of \$ 204,474.29; and

WHEREAS, SLFRF provides needed fiscal relief for recipients that have experienced revenue loss due to the onset of the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, Treasury presumes that up to \$10 million in revenue has been lost due to the public health emergency and recipients are permitted to use that amount (not to exceed the award amount) to fund “government services.”; and

WHEREAS, Recipients may elect a “standard allowance” of \$10 million to spend on government services through the period of performance; and

WHEREAS, All recipients may elect to use this standard allowance instead of calculating lost revenue using the formula provided by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, including those with total allocations of \$10 million or less; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Halifax has the need to fund government services while in the recovery phase of the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, the Selectboard of the Town of Halifax, Vermont, authorize the following:

Section 1. The following allocation of SLFRF funding to fund government services under the replacing lost public sector revenue spending category as follows:

Obligate and expend SLFRF funds in the amount of \$136,056.46 for the following purposes:

- A. \$15,000 – Halifax Community Club, Inc.
- B. \$15,000 – Halifax Historical Society

- C. \$15,600 – Halifax Fire Company, Inc.
- D. \$90,456.46 for municipal highway department payroll expenses in FY2024, for the purpose of municipal workforce retention.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, the Selectboard of the Town of Halifax, Vermont, has also previously authorized the following for the benefit of the residents of the Town of Halifax:

Section 2. The following allocation of SLFRF funding to fund government services under the replacing lost public sector revenue spending category in the aggregate amount of \$68,417.83 has been previously obligated and expended as follows:

A. Video Equipment – Enable Remote Mtg Capability	\$2,554.83	2021
B. Town Hall Windows - Replace	\$7,963.00	2022
C. Town Hall Windows - Replace	\$7,900.00	2023
D. DVFiber -Affordable Connectivity Program	\$50,000.00	2023

Passed and Adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of Halifax, Vermont on the 29th day of MARCH, 2024.

ATTEST:

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