## VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO RESOLUTION 2024-59

## AUTHORIZING ELECTRIC CREW PARTICIPATION IN LIGHT UP NAVAJO NATION FOR 2025

WHEREAS, Council has received a request from the Village Electric Crew to participate for a second year in the LUNN Project, having deeply appreciated the opportunity to do so in 2024; and,

WHEREAS, This intercultural opportunity provided our crew with training and experience in working on different types of systems and equipment, creating different ways to install power lines, building infrastructure from the ground up, and in interacting with an entirely new customer base; and

WHEREAS, Light Up Navajo is an initiative of the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority, in coordination with the American Public Power Association, to help bring electricity to families in need in the Navajo Nation. Currently there are approximately 13,000 families living on the Navajo Nation that do not have electricity. Light Up Navajo V took place during April-July 2024 and worked with 44 utility teams from 16 different states alongside NTUA electric crews. Overall – the combined teams connected 170 homes to the electric grid for the very first time; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to continue to support the American Municipal Power (AMP) initiative partnering with the Navajo Nation to bring electric power to remote areas of the Navajo Nation; and

WHEREAS, Both AMP and the Navajo Nation have extended an offer to the Village Electric Crew to return in 2025, and require an indication that the crew has the approval and financial backing of Council to do so,

NOW, THEREFORE, COUNCIL FOR THE VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO HEREBY RESOLVES THAT:

Section 1. Village Council hereby agrees to fund Village Electric Crew participation in the Light Up Navajo Nation Project for 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

Section 2. Village Council wishes to convey our appreciation of these efforts to our Electric Department and to AMP, who have generously assisted in supporting the LUNN Project since its inception in 2019.

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Kevin Stokes, Presi	dent of Council		
PASSED: 9-3-2024			
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Judy Kintner, Clerk	of Council		
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