

## **RESOLUTION NO. R02 2017.04.10**

## RESOLUTION TO SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR A DRINKING WATER PLANNING GRANT TO THE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR MATCHING FUNDS TO FINANCE A WATER SYSTEM MASTER PLAN AND WATER SYSTEM MODEL

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF BLADES Council has made the improvement of existing infrastructure a stated priority of the TOWN; and

WHEREAS, accurate assessment of the location and condition of the TOWN OF BLADES water infrastructure is an integral part of planning for future improvements and development; and

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF BLADES would like to create a water system model to determine the capabilities of the existing water system; and

WHEREAS, through a combination of existing maps and other data sources, the TOWN OF BLADES would be able to build an accurate database of existing water assets including buried infrastructure, tanks, wells, treatment plants, and other related features; and

WHEREAS, through this database, the TOWN OF BLADES would be able to better target repair and replacement of infrastructure, create an advanced water capacity model for analysis of needed upgrades, and gather other data relevant to efficient operation of a water utility; and

WHEREAS, the TOWN OF BLADES has indicated the desire to complete a Water System Master Plan to prioritize projects allowing for the TOWN funding to be better utilized on priorities and plan for future projects; and

WHEREAS, the Water Infrastructure Advisory Council offers grants to assist in financing water planning that recognize and are consistent with the TOWN OF BLADES Comprehensive Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the TOWN OF BLADES, Delaware hereby directs the Town Clerk to submit a Water Planning Grant application to the Water Infrastructure Advisory Council for up to \$25,000 in matching funds to assist in funding the creation of a Water System Master Plan.

RESOLVED at a Regularly Scheduled Meeting on April 10, 2017

VOTE: 4 to 0

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ATTES

OWN CLERK

administrator

MAYOR

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