

**VILLAGE OF YELLOW SPRINGS, OHIO**  
**RESOLUTION 2023-42**

**AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING FOR YEARS TWO  
THROUGH FIVE OF THE BODY WORN CAMERA INITIATIVE**

**WHEREAS,** a Body Worn Camera (BWC) Use Policy was approved by Council by Ordinance 2022-09; and,

**WHEREAS**, Council agrees, regardless of State mandate, that implementation of body-worn cameras provides the opportunity to review Village of Yellow Springs police officers' actions and reactions in the field and will serve to enhance public trust by adding another layer of transparency to police actions; and,

**WHEREAS,** Council authorized submission of a grant application to the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (“OCJS”) for “purchase (of) up to eleven body-worn cameras, one for each sworn officer, and sufficient digital storage equipment to maintain the data for the Yellow Springs Police Department, as well as redaction software to comply with Ohio Revised Code Section 149.43” by means of Resolution 2022-54; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services (“OCJS”) awarded a grant to the Village of Yellow Springs Police Department in the amount of \$14,472.00 to cover the first year contract with Digital Ally as well as out-of-contract incidentals; and,

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to cover years two through five of a mandatory five year contract with Digital Ally, the Village of Yellow Springs desires to apply for grant funding from Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) through the Office of Criminal Justice Services; and,

**WHEREAS**, there is a match required from the Village in the amount of 25%; 25%; 50%; 75% for the four covered years: However, the Village will endeavor to receive a waiver for that match through the grant process,

**NOW THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED**, by the Council of the Village of Yellow Springs, State of Ohio that:

**Section 1:** The Village Manager is hereby authorized to apply for continued grant funding for the Body Worn Camera Initiative through the Office of Criminal Justice’s “JAG” grant and the Village Manager is further authorized to take all steps necessary to accept such grant funding.

Section 2: The Village will seek a waiver of the local match requirements, however if the local match requirements are not waived, the Village Manager is still authorized to accept this grant as the Village will be expending the funds for body worn cameras regardless.

**Section 3:** All formal actions pertaining to this Resolution were conducted in in meetings open to the public in compliance with Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code and Chapter 607 of the Village Code of Ordinances.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brian Housh, Council President

Passed: 5-15-2023

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Judy Kintner, Clerk of Council

Roll Call:      Housh \_\_Y\_\_                      MacQueen \_\_Y\_\_                      Stokes \_\_Y\_\_  
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