ORDINANCE: 23-4-1 PASSED: 8 28 23

## AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW THE VILLAGE OF WAYNESFIELD, AUGLAIZE COUNTY, OHIO TO ADOPT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE INTERCONNECTION OF DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RESOURCES AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the Village of Waynesfield, Auglaize County, Ohio, owns and operated an electric utility system for the sale of electric power and associated energy for the benefit of its citizens and taxpayers;

WHEREAS, some of the citizens and ratepayers desire to utilize distributed generation resources to be bult on sites within the Municipality's electric distribution utility service area;

WHEREAS, in order to maintain a safe and reliable electric utility system with nondiscriminatory and reasonably priced rates for the benefit of its customers as well as the collective interests of the Municipality's electric utility system, Municipality has determined that it will permit retail customers to utilize distributed generation resources subject to the owner and operator meeting any and all technical, safety, construction, interconnection or other requirements imposed by Municipality as well as paying any applicable rates, fees or charges pursuant to approved rates and tariffs.

## NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF WAYNESFIELD, OHIO, to-wit:

**SECTION 1.** The Council of the Village of Waynesfield, Ohio, as the retail electric regulatory authority for the Municipality and its retail electric consumers, determines that, subject to an applicant who is the owner or operator of distributed energy resources meeting all technical, safety, construction, interconnection or other requirements imposed by Municipality as well as paying any applicable rates, fees or charges pursuant to approved rates and tariffs, Municipality will permit retail customers to interconnect distributed energy resources to the Municipal electric distribution system and utilize energy generated thereby.

**SECTION 2.** The Village Administrator, with approval of the Council of the Village of Waynesfield, is authorized to adopt any necessary regulations or policies to implement this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** The forms of the distributed energy resource interconnection application and Interconnection Agreement between this Municipality and an owner or operator of a distributed energy resource who desires to interconnect the distributed energy resource to the Municipal electric utility system, substantially in the forms attached hereto as Exhibits 1 and 2,

respectively, are approved, subject to and with any and all changes provide for herein and therein.

**SECTION 4.** The Village Administrator, is authorized to review and approve or take such other action as necessary on any distributed energy resource interconnection application and Interconnection Agreement between this Municipality and an owner or operator of a distributed energy resource.

**SECTION 5.** It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council of the Village of Waynesfield, Ohio, concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of the Council and of any committee that resulted in those formal action were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

**SECTION 6.** If any section, subsection, paragraph, clause or provision or any part thereof of this Ordinance shall be finally adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance shall be unaffected by such adjudication and all the remaining provisions of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect as though such section, subsection, paragraph, clause or provision or any part thereof so adjudicated to be invalid had not, to the extent of such invalidity, been include herein.

**SECTION 7.** That this Ordinance shall be an emergency necessary to continue the proper operations and maintenance of the Village and shall take effect and be in full force at the earliest period allowed by law.

APPROVED:

Rodne Luma, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah Montgomery, Fiscal Officer