

**RESOLUTION NO. 021-2017**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF FINDLAY CITY COUNCIL TO SUBMIT A POSITION LETTER REGARDING TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES BETWEEN HANCOCK-WOOD ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE AND AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER TO BOTH ENTITIES.**

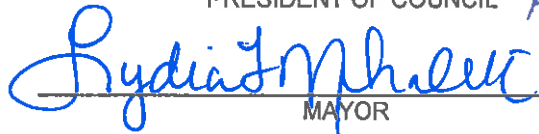
WHEREAS, Findlay City Council wishes to provide a position letter (attached as Exhibit A) as it relates to the issues that have developed between Hancock-Wood Electric Cooperative (HWE) and American Electric Power (AEP) concerning the crossing of territorial boundaries to serve customers, and;

WHEREAS, Findlay City Council strongly encourages the practice of continuing property swaps as it has existed for years between the two (2) companies when acquiring customers in the overlapped territory, and wishes to continue the practice of allowing the PUCO to have jurisdiction over the issue should either company choose to abandon said practice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Findlay, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period provided by law.

  
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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL *Pro-Tem*

  
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MAYOR

PASSED August 15, 2017

ATTEST Devin DeVore  
CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED August 15, 2017

July 19, 2017

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Re: City of Findlay statement regarding franchise agreements

Gentleman:

The City Council of Findlay, Ohio has been asked to issue a statement as it relates to the issues that have developed between Hancock Wood Electric and American Electric Power concerning the crossing of territorial boundaries to serve customers. This Council strongly encourages the practice of continuing property swaps, which has existed for years between the two companies, when acquiring customers in the overlapped territory.

Should either company choose to abandon that practice, we would hope that an acceptable outcome will be adjudicated through the proper authority having jurisdiction over the issue. We thank both of you for the service you provide to our community.

Sincerely,

Findlay City Council