

Resolution of Support and Acceptance of Funding Duke Energy Foundation – Local Environmental Impact Grant

Whereas, it is the desire of the Town of Sylva to provide quality, recreational opportunities to the residents of Sylva and to provide accessibility to a wider range of public users; and

Whereas, the Town of Sylva is committed to the improvement, long-term stewardship, and maintenance of Pinnacle Park; and

Whereas, the Town of Sylva adopted the Pinnacle Park Master Plan in April 2025 and the plan identified signage and trail accessibility improvements as a need within the park; and

Whereas, the Town of Sylva plans to enhance the pedestrian environment by improving approximately 303 linear feet of an accessible section of the Forest Therapy Trail and add interpretive signage along the trail to provide educational information about Pinnacle Park's biological and ecological resources; and

Whereas, the Town of Sylva submitted an application to the Duke Energy Foundation in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) to hire a professional trail builder to grade, smooth, and widen a 303-foot portion of the Forest Therapy Trail and to pay to design and install signage along the trail; and

Now Therefore, the Sylva Town Board of Commissioners authorizes the Sylva Town Manager, Paige Dowling, to accept the Duke Energy Foundation's Local Environmental Impact Grant, if awarded, and to hire a professional trail builder and have signage designed and installed.

Approved this the 10th day of July 2025.

Johnny Phillips, Mayor

Amanda Murajda, Town Clerk