Resolution # 2022-1

Resolution for the Public Private Partnership Agreement between Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services and the Town of Clifton for WI PSC Broadband Access Grant, Fiscal Year 2022

Purpose: To create a public private partnership for the purpose of applying to the state of Wisconsin PSC Broadband Access Grant, Fiscal Year 2022.

WHEREAS, on December 1, 2021 the state of Wisconsin Public Service Commission launched the FY 2022 Broadband Expansion Grant and authorized \$100 million to be spent on broadband infrastructure.

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton agrees to enter into a public private partnership with Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services for the purpose of applying for a state of Wisconsin PSC Broadband Expansion Grant, Fiscal Year 2022.

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton agrees to provide in-kind contributions to help educate, promote, and develop broadband outreach to residents.

WHEREAS, the Town of Clifton desires to utilize the ARPA allocation up to \$220,000 to fund broadband development and construction.

WHEREAS, Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services will apply the funds to build infrastructure to unserved and underserved areas for the Town of Clifton.

WHEREAS, Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services will apply and be the primary grant author and recipient of the grant funds from the Wisconsin Public Service Commission.

WHEREAS, Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services will receive funds from the Town of Clifton upon successfully meeting the Wisconsin Public Service Commission project closeout requirements for the awarded grant. Completion of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Clifton Board to enter into a Public Private Partnership Agreement with Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services to expand access and services to underserved and unserved areas of the Town of Clifton by applying for a state of Wisconsin FY 2022 Broadband Expansion Grant.

Adopted this \(\lambda \) day of March, 2022, at a regular Town Board meeting.

By the Town Board:

Title: Mifton Board CV