

Resolution 2021-1

**Resolution for the Public Private Partnership Agreement between
Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services and the Town of Ellsworth
to provide American Rescue Plan Act funds to build and develop broadband
for the residents and businesses of the Town of Ellsworth**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed into law the \$1.9 trillion relief bill known as the American Rescue Plan Act, also known as ARPA.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Treasury issued an interim final rule effective on May 17, 2021, authorizing the use of ARPA funds for broadband development.

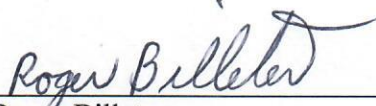
WHEREAS, the Town of Ellsworth desires to utilize the allocation of \$124,000 to fund broadband development by Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services by December 31, 2024.

WHEREAS, Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services intends to build fiber to the premise for homes and businesses in the Town of Ellsworth who are unserved or underserved.

WHEREAS, Pierce Pepin Cooperative Services will utilize the \$124,000 to develop broadband infrastructure, assistance and educational outreach within the Town of Ellsworth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Ellsworth 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 Ellsworth.

Adopted this 12th day of July, 2021, at a regular Town Board meeting.



Roger Billeter
Chair



Attest: Phyllis J. Beastron
Clerk