

Town of Dane, Dane County Wisconsin
Resolution 2017-10-02-2

Supporting Immediate Upgrade of the Town of Dane Broadband Infrastructure and Access

Whereas, The Town of Dane has a responsibility to assist its citizens in securing the essential services for daily life, including broadband (phone and internet); and

Whereas, reliable wired phone service is essential for communication of all types, especially emergency services; and

Whereas, improved broadband is necessary to all citizens for education, health care, communication, interactions with government, farming and business operations, entertainment, commerce and future uses yet to be developed; and

Whereas, the need for broadband service is growing daily; and

Whereas, most citizens of the Town of Dane lack the current Wisconsin PSC benchmark speed of 25 Mbps down/3 Mbps up. (Source: PSC Broadband maps); and

Whereas, Town residents' surveys, and inquiries to the Town Board reveal that Town residents find their broadband speeds and access to be non-existent, poor or inadequate; and

Whereas, Frontier Communications has received a grant of \$186,000,000 from the FCC Connect America Fund for expansion of rural internet service; and

Whereas, the State of Wisconsin budget recently signed by Governor Walker includes \$14,000,000 for PSC Broadband Expansion Grants; and

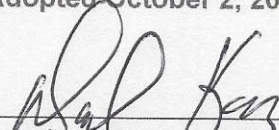
Whereas; All residents of the Town of Dane should have access to the benchmark minimum standard of 25/3 wired connectivity.

Be it resolved, that the duly elected officials of the Town of Dane support the allocation of a portion of these grants to expand and upgrade broadband for all areas of the Town served by Frontier, and further requests that Frontier make this a top priority, and consider a future PSC broadband expansion grant to finalize the work if necessary.

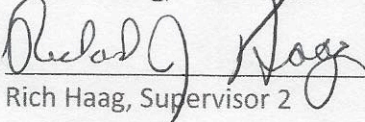
Be it resolved, that the Town of Dane Board will cooperate with Frontier in its efforts to expand and upgrade the broadband infrastructure in the Town of Dane, and offer assistance where possible.

Be it finally resolved, that this resolution be submitted to Frontier Communications, the FCC, the PSC, other interested parties, and pertinent State of Wisconsin elected officials.

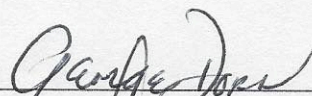
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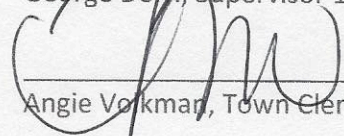
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