

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-06

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING BROADBAND EXPANSION PROJECTS AND GRANT APPLICATIONS TOWN OF GIBRALTAR, DOOR COUNTY, WISCONSIN

WHEREAS, there are, or will be millions of state and federal broadband expansion grants available to eligible applicants, and

WHEREAS, Bertram Communications (Bertram) has contacted the Town Of Gibraltar with a request to work to improve broadband service in the Town of Gibraltar Door County, Wisconsin, and

WHEREAS, significant geographic areas and many households in Door County don't have reliable, high-speed internet access, and broadband expansion would allow greater access to educational options, medical and mental health management, social interaction, and recreational and entertainment options, and

WHEREAS, Bertram is currently engaged in engineering analysis designed to produce detailed project parameters and cost estimates to be used to compile a complete Broadband Expansion Grant application, and

WHEREAS, the Broadband Expansion Grant process is extremely competitive, and applications that demonstrate a public/private partnership are evaluated higher than those that do not, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gibraltar supports Bertram's grant application and is interested in serving as a fiscal agent in grant administration;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board for the Town of Gibraltar, Door County, Wisconsin supports Bertram's application for grant funds for the purpose of upgrading broadband service in the Town of Gibraltar and authorizes the Town Chairperson, Clerk, Treasurer to submit an accompanying letter of support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Chairperson, Clerk, Treasurer are authorized to execute similar letters of support of broadband grant applications on behalf of other service providers whose proposal for broadband expansion would serve the residents of the Town of Gibraltar.

Adopted this 6th day of September 2023.

Town Board, Town of Gibraltar
Door County, Wisconsin

ATTEST:

By: _____
Steve Sohns , Town Chairperson

By: _____
Theresa Cain-Bieri, Treasurer