

**Village of Galien
County of Berrien
State of Michigan**

Resolution of Support for Internet Service Provider Application for Funds from the State of Michigan's Realizing Opportunities with Broadband Infrastructure Networks (ROBIN) Grant Program

WHEREAS, the Berrien County Broadband Internet Task Force's studies have demonstrated that all of the Village of Galien's current internet service providers do not meet the FCC's definition of broadband services (minimum of 25 mbps download/ 3mbps upload); and

WHEREAS, in early 2022, Governor Whitmer and the Michigan Legislature passed the Building Michigan Together Plan. The plan includes \$250.6 million to expand high-speed internet service to unserved locations in the state through the ROBIN Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, Internet Service Providers (ISP's) may desire to apply for funding from the ROBIN Grant Program to expand Broadband service into The Village of Galien; and

WHEREAS, there is strong support among Village of Galien residents for improved broadband services; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Galien is in receipt of American Rescue Plan Act funds; and

WHEREAS, one of the approved uses of ARPA funds is to invest in broadband service in underserved and unserved areas; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Galien has 320 unserved parcels (per the Berrien County BCBIT Dashboard);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village of Galien supports Internet Service Providers desire to apply for ROBIN funds to help deploy broadband service to the current unserved parcels within the Village and will offer a maximum financial commitment of \$28,000.00 allocated at a rate of \$87.00 per new parcel served as a local contribution to be used to offset costs of constructing and building Fiber to the Home Broadband services in the Village of Galien.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the funding is subject to final Village of Galien Council approval with each ISP who successfully received ROBIN funding.

Upon roll call vote on the foregoing resolution, the vote was as follows:

Yeas: Koudelka, Mielke, Palmer, Rochman, Schmitz , Swank, Veilleux

Nays: none

Abstain: none

Absent: none


Whereupon the Village President declared the Resolution adopted.

Resolution duly adopted March 7, 2023.



Galien Village Clerk, Christine Palmer

I, Christine Palmer, duly appointed and acting as Village Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Galien Village Council at a meeting of said board held on March 7, 2023, at which meeting a quorum was presented by roll call vote of said members as herein before set forth that said Resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.



Christine Palmer, Clerk