

RESOLUTION #2016-0209
Resolution Supporting a Cell Tower for Public Safety

WHEREAS, cellular phone service is more and more replacing hard wired land line service, and

WHEREAS, dependable 911 emergency communications are dependent on universal geographic coverage, and

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe's emergency fire and ambulance services rely on cellular text and voice notification from the Ashland County Dispatch Center for timely and efficient emergency dispatch information, and

WHEREAS, numerous locations within the Town of La Pointe are in areas where cellular phone service is spotty or non-existent, and

WHEREAS, the Town of La Pointe Board of Supervisors recognizes that the lack of cellular service within the Town is a public safety issue, and

WHEREAS, installation of a cell tower on the north end of Madeline Island in the Town of La Pointe would increase cell service coverage and increase public safety; and

WHEREAS, the Town's Police Department, Fire Department and Ambulance Department support the addition of a cell tower to ensure telephone service at all times to improve public safety and protect the citizens and visitors on the island.

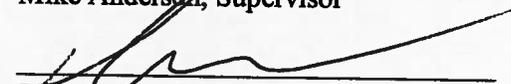
NOW THEREFORE, the Town Board resolves as follows:

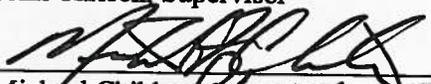
The Town Board urges ^{Town Administrator, Lisa Poteswald.} ~~Supervisor Starck~~ to pursue discussions with the major cell service providers and cellular infrastructure vendors to identify coverage gaps and develop a comprehensive plan to address the coverage gaps and extend reliable cellular network coverage throughout the island and bring back to the Town Board for review and approval.

Passed this 9th day of February, 2016

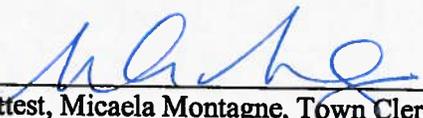

James Patterson, Chairman


Mike Anderson, Supervisor


John Carlson, Supervisor


Michael Childers, Supervisor


Mike Starck, Supervisor


Attest, Micaela Montagne, Town Clerk

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