



GREEN LAKE COUNTY
571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI 54941

Original Post Date: 02/10/22

Amended* Post Date:

The following documents are included in the packet for the Special Finance Meeting on February 15, 2022:

1. Amended Agenda
2. Resolution authorizing Creation of Public Private Partnership with Hilbert Communications, LLC
3. Budget Adjustment- Fair



GREEN LAKE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK

Elizabeth Otto
County Clerk

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Special Finance Committee Meeting Notice

Date: February 15, 2022 Time: 5:00 PM
The Green Lake County Government Center, County Board Room
571 County Road A, Green Lake WI

Amended* AGENDA

Committee Members

Harley Reabe, Chair
Brian Floeter, Vice-Chair
Don Lenz
David Abendroth
Dennis Mulder

Elizabeth Otto,
Secretary

1. Call to Order
2. Certification of Open Meeting Law
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. *Resolution authorizing Creation of Public Private Partnership with Hilbert Communications, LLC
5. *Budget Adjustment – Fair
6. Committee Discussion
 - Future Meeting Dates: Regular Meeting 2/23/22
 - Future Agenda items for action & discussion
7. Adjourn

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be conducted and available through in person attendance (6 ft. social distancing and face masks required) or audio/visual communication. Remote access can be obtained through the following link:

Topic: Special Finance Meeting
Time: Feb 15, 2022 05:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82733513445?pwd=M09BWUYvR0ZlamFpTFNmVGRpN3F1dz09>

Meeting ID: 827 3351 3445
Passcode: 631331

Dial by your location
+1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)
+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Virtual attendance at meetings is optional. If technical difficulties arise, there may be instances when remote access may be compromised. If there is a quorum attending in person, the meeting will proceed as scheduled.

Kindly arrange to be present, if unable to do so, please notify our office.
Elizabeth Otto, County Clerk

Please note: Meeting area is accessible to the physically disabled. Anyone planning to attend who needs visual or audio assistance, should contact the County Clerk's Office, 294-4005, not later than 3 days before date of the meeting.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 3-2022

Resolution authorizing Creation of Public Private Partnership with Hilbert Communications, LLC

The County Board of Supervisors of Green Lake County, Green Lake, Wisconsin, duly assembled at its regular meeting on this 15th day of February 2022, does resolve as follows:

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Hilbert Communications, LLC (“Hilbert”), and its subsidiary broadband
- 2 wireless internet service provider company, Bug Tussel Wireless, LLC (“Bug Tussel”),
- 3 desire to commence a project consisting of the construction and operation of certain
- 4 fiber optic assets to provide the most advanced infrastructure to the unserved and
- 5 underserved residents of Green Lake County; and
- 6 Majority vote is needed to pass.

Roll Call on Resolution No. 3-2022

Submitted by Finance Committee

Ayes , Nays , Absent , Abstain

/s/ Harley Reabe

Harley Reabe, Chair

Passed and Adopted/Rejected this 15th day of February 2022.

Brian Floeter

County Board Chairman

Don Lenz

ATTEST: County Clerk
Approve as to Form:

David Abendroth

Corporation Counsel

Dennis Mulder

7 **WHEREAS**, Green Lake County desires to pursue Broadband Expansion Grants offered
8 by and through the State of Wisconsin Public Service Commission, and
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10 **WHEREAS**, Green Lake County considered Hilbert and Bug Tussel's proven track record
11 of community partnerships and their proposal to expand broadband to unserved and
12 underserved areas of Green Lake County, and hereby recommends partnering with
13 Hilbert to pursue broadband expansion grants; and
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15 **WHEREAS**, Hilbert and Green Lake County desire to pursue and make application for
16 any and all grant money available for broadband coverage; and
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18 **WHEREAS**, Hilbert and Green Lake County are willing and able to create a public private
19 partnership to provide the latest advancements in broadband coverage, and to seek all
20 available grants to provide and subsidize the cost of necessary broadband infrastructure;
21 and
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23 **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Green Lake County Board of
24 Supervisors, supports the application to the State of Wisconsin Public Service
25 Commission for broadband expansion grants in partnership with Hilbert and Bug Tussel;
26 and
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28 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Green Lake County Board of Supervisors shall
29 enter into an Agreement to Establish Public Private Partnership for the Purpose of
30 Applying for a Broadband Expansion Grant, in a form substantially similar to the attached
31 Exhibit A; and
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33 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appropriate county officials are authorized and
34 empowered to do all such acts and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver all such
35 documents necessary or desirable to fulfill the intent of this resolution.
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37 **FISCAL NOTE:** no cost to the county. Revenue is undetermined as of yet.

Exhibit A to Resolution

AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR A BROADBAND EXPANSION GRANT

THIS PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made this ____ day of _____, 2022 (“Effective Date”) by and between Green Lake County, Wisconsin (the “County”), a political subdivision of the State of Wisconsin, and Hilbert Communications, LLC, a Wisconsin limited liability company (“Hilbert”). The County and Hilbert are collectively referred to as the “Parties”.

RECITALS

- A. The County seeks to promote development of high-speed broadband services to unserved and underserved areas within its boundaries and believes that cooperation with private-sector partners is necessary for the development of a county-wide broadband network that meets the needs of the County, its resident, and its businesses.
- B. To encourage and facilitate deployment of high-speed broadband service in unserved and underserved areas within the County, the County and Hilbert seek to enter into a public-private partnership to construct broadband infrastructure to facilitate the future development by Hilbert and/or other third-party internet service providers (the “Project”).
- C. The full scope of the Project is yet to be defined but will be defined in the final partnership agreement between the Parties (“Final Partnership Agreement”).
- D. The Parties intend that Hilbert, with the County as its public partner, apply to the State of Wisconsin Broadband Expansion Grant Program (“Grant Program”) to obtain a grant to be used to pay for a portion of the cost of constructing the Project.
- E. The County finds the Project to be in the public interest of the residents and businesses of Green Lake County.

AGREEMENT

THE PARTIES agree as follows:

1. **Purpose.** By this Agreement, the County and Hilbert agree to form a public-private partnership so that Hilbert can apply to the Grant Program to obtain funds to be applied toward construction of the Project. The County agrees that, as Hilbert’s public partner, it will cooperate with Hilbert in preparation of the grant application.
2. **Project.** The Project will be developed by Hilbert. The estimated cost of the Project is \$10,000,000.
3. **Project Funding.** In its grant application, Hilbert shall request a grant for Twenty Percent (20%) of the estimate project cost. If the Grant is awarded and if the Project receives final

approval from each Party's respective governing body, each Party agree in principle to be responsible for a portion of the estimated project costs, subject to further review.

4. **Authorization**. Each Party represents that it has the authority to execute this Agreement.
5. **Records**. Hilbert shall provide the County with a copy of its application to the Grant Program at the same time the application is submitted to the PSC.
6. **Termination**. This Agreement shall become effective on the Effective Date and shall terminate if Hilbert's grant application is unsuccessful. If the grant application is successful, this Agreement shall terminate one (1) year after the grant award or in the event that the Parties enter in a Final Partnership Agreement before the one (1) year period expires.
7. **Entire Agreement**. There are no representation or understandings of any kind not stated in this Agreement.
8. **Governing Law**. This Agreements shall be governed by the laws of the State of Wisconsin.
9. **Counterparts**. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

GREEN LAKE COUNTY

Notice of Budgetary Adjustment

Unanticipated Revenue or Expense Increase or Decrease Not Budgeted

Date: January 17, 2022
 Department: Fair
 Amount: \$15,000.00
 Budget Year Amended: 2022

Source of Increase / Decrease and affect on Program:
 (If needed attached separate brief explanation.)

The Maintenance Contract that was presented is for a maximum compensation of \$35,000. This individual contracted for the 2021 Fair for \$20,000. With all the unknowns of this being his first year, the labor hours of him & his staff exceeded his contract, by approximately \$8,000. He did an excellent job, he provides much of his own equipment, plus he pays 4 staff. There is an extreme amount of work that goes into getting ready for the fair and also the dismantling afterwards. It was handled professionally.

Revenue Budget Lines Amended:

Account #	Account Name	Current Budget	Budget Adjustment	Final Budget
22-101-00-58000-000-000	Contingency		\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
				\$ -
				\$ -
				\$ -
Total Adjustment			\$ 15,000.00	

Expenditure Budget Lines Amended:

Account #	Account Name	Current Budget	Budget Adjustment	Final Budget
22-100-13-55460-350-000	Repair & Maintenance	\$ 32,478.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 47,478.00
				\$ -
				\$ -
				\$ -
				\$ -
Total Adjustment			\$ 15,000.00	

Department Head Approval: approved as to format: Catherine J. Schmit

Date Approved by Committee of Jurisdiction: [Signature]

Following this approval please forward to the County Clerk's Office.

Date Approved by Finance Committee: _____

Date Approved by County Board: _____

Per WI Stats 65.90(5)(a) must be authorized by a vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of the governing body.

Date of publication of Class 1 notice of budget amendment: _____