Elkton Village Council Public Hearing Thursday October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Elkton Village Hall 57 N Main St Elkton MI 48731 989-375-2270

President Pro-Tem Bridgette McCarty called the Public Hearing of the Elkton Village Council to order at 7:00 P. M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustees present: Gail Schember, Chris Parrish, Deena Jobes, Craig Genow and Agnes Kosinski. Excused Absent: President Dan Armbruster.

Bridgette McCarty stated this public hearing is to receive input from the public regarding the proposed FiberNet project from Agri-Valley Services. Bridgette McCarty asked the representatives from Agri-Valley Services to give their presentation regarding the proposed project. Brenda Kelley and Terry Brown discussed the fiber optic that would be placed in the Village right-of-ways throughout the entire Village. The placement of the underground fiber would make every home and business able to be connected to AVS FiberNet internet service. There is no cost to the Village for placement of the fiber optics in the right-of-ways. Brenda Kelley and Terry Brown discussed the construction process, engineering of the proposed project. restoration, and permanent structures such as pedestals, etc. Discussion on the process of installation into homes and who to contact for complaints or questions. Agnes Kosinski asked about cost of the internet service and how installation works for apartment buildings. Gail Schember stated her experience with the construction crews in front of her house was positive and the process was quick and neat. Terry Brown stated that this FiberNet has already been placed in several communities in Sanilac County, but Elkton would be the first in Huron County. Lonnie Schulz, DPW Superintendent, asked questions about the placement of the vault boxes and pedestals. Brenda Kelley stated the engineered plans would be given to the Village for review prior to the start of construction, so that placement could be finalized.

Public Comment: Bill Lee asked questions of the AVS representatives.

Brenda Kelley stated the construction timeline would be in 2022, but is unsure of exactly when due to the backorder of supplies. Discussion on advertising to the residents. Discussion on speed of the internet service and costs. Seeing no further public comment, Bridgette McCarty asked for a motion to send this to Council.

Motion Craig Genow, second Gail Schember to send the proposed FiberNet project to Village Council for a decision.

Motion carried.

Motion Bridgette McCarty, second Craig Genow to adjourn the Public Hearing. Motion carried.

Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:35P.M.

Respectfully Submitted Phyllis A. Baranski, CMC, MiPMC Elkton Village Clerk/Treasurer

Approved 10-12-21 Mylse Buk

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