

**LITCHFIELD BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**November 1, 2021**

The Litchfield Township Board of Trustees met in special session on Monday, November 1, 2021, at the Litchfield Town Hall after the requirements of the Sunshine Law were met by notification and posting. Chairman Horvath called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. with Trustees Reynolds and Pope present. There was an audience of 4.

All stood to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Horvath stated that County Commissioner Hambley and Dave from Medina County Fiber Optics Network sent a resolution that they asked the trustees to adopt. The resolution was giving support to the Fiber Optic Network as they apply for grant money. Trustee Horvath read the resolution to those present. Trustee Pope made a motion to adopt Resolution 19-21 Supporting Medina Fiber's Ohio Residential Broadband Expansion Grant Application (Lorain-Medina Rural Electric); second by Reynolds. Voting yes: Reynolds, Pope, Horvath. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer Shaw asked if MC Fiber Optic Network does not receive the grant money would they expect the townships to contribute more money. Trustee Horvath stated that it would not affect our dollar commitment. Trustee Horvath explained that Medina Fiber Optic Network has run a band around the county for high speed internet. They now want to run a backbone from Lodi out to other townships. An audience member asked if this would replace the current internet providers in the township. The trustees stated that this would just be another option available to the residents.

Trustee Pope stated that the township would be using some of our ARP funds towards this; the township is limited on how the ARP funds can be used and improving the internet service in the township is one area that is allowed. Trustee Horvath stated that the Medina County Fiber Optics Network's attorneys are working out the legalities and then will send out a resolution for the townships to adopt. Trustee Horvath stated that the trustees have tried for years to get fiber optics out to the township.

The audience members had a few questions for the trustees. Trustee Horvath stated there will be a community meeting with reps from Medina Fiber Optics Network scheduled in the next few weeks.

Trustee Horvath made a motion to adjourn; second by Reynolds. Voting yes: Reynolds, Pope, Horvath. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.