

## EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Must have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent
- Completion of Firefighter 1 and Firefighter II Trainings and any further Firefighter Certifications trainings established.
- Must have two (2) years of prior work experience of a progressively responsible nature in firefighting, fire prevention, emergency services and continuing education classes
- Thorough knowledge of modern fire suppression and prevention and emergency services principles, procedures, techniques, and equipment.
- Skill in operation of all firefighting tools and equipment.
- Proven track record of training and supervising subordinate personnel.
- Must have completed NIMS 100, 200, 300, 400, and 700, within two years. NIMS 300 and 400 is encouraged but not required.

## PHYSICAL DEMANDS

- Frequent sitting, talking, hearing, standing, walking, hand/finger use.
- Operated objects, tools, or controls, and reach with hands and arms.
- Occasionally required to climb, balance, stoop, kneel, crouch, crawl, taste, and smell.
- Frequently lift and/or move up to 10 pounds.
- Occasionally lift and/or move up to 100 pounds.
- Frequently utilize eye sight to see up close, see from a distance, see colors, see peripherally, and depth perception.
- Work is primarily carried out in offices, vehicles, and outdoor settings, in all weather conditions including temperature extremes, day and night.
- Work is performed primarily in emergent and stressful situations.
- Exposure to hearing alarms, hazards associated with fighting fire including but not limited to noxious odors, fumes, chemicals, liquid chemicals, solvents, and oils.
- Exposure to moving mechanical parts, high precarious places, and is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, fumes, airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals, risk of electrical shock, and vibration.
- Noise levels can be changing and loud

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**\*Surcharges and taxes required by local, state and federal agencies and content providers will be passed through to the customer and are not included in this quote.\***

Directory Listing		
PLEASE REVIEW AND CORRECT IF NEEDED		
MAIN	NO CHANGES	
SERVICE ADDRESS		
CITY		
PHONE #		
Additional Line (extra chg)		
Additional Line (extra chg)		
Authorized Account Representatives		
The following person(s) are authorized to make changes to my service or personal information:		
Name	Title/Position	Contact Number
Dianna Sunsdahl	Clerk	218-753-6020
Jorgine Cornick	Treasurer	218-753-6020
Daniel Reing	Police Chief	218-753-6020

Tax Exempt	X	Contract Term	5 Year	X
Contact Email Address:	<a href="mailto:Clerk@breitungtownship.org">Clerk@breitungtownship.org</a>			
After-Hours Contact Number				
Service Address: City, State, Zip:	Same as billing			

L/D Provider	CTC
Outbound LD Rate	\$0.04c
Inbound 800 LD Rate	N/A
800 Number	N/A
International Calling	BLOCKED
L/D Disclosure	
IT Provider	
IT Provider Contact #:	
HPBX Members Initial to Accept Long Distance Fees	*
Initial to Accept Master Service Terms	*

\*

Hannah Anderson

Customer Signature/Title (Officer)

CTC Signature

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

*This Agreement, along with the Master Agreement, constitutes a binding agreement between Consolidated Telecommunications Co. and Customer. Customer acknowledges that the service term begins upon installation of respective services indicated in this Agreement. \*Surcharges and taxes required by local, state and federal agencies and content providers will be passed through to the customer and are not included in this quote.\**



**MASTER AGREEMENT  
General Terms and  
Conditions**

1. This Master Agreement is entered into as of Wednesday, January 11 2023, between Consolidated Telephone Company d/b/a CTC (CTC), a Minnesota Corporation whose headquarters are at: 1102 Madison Street, PO Box 972, Brainerd, Minnesota 56401 and ("Customer") Breitung Township whose headquarters are located at (address) PO Box 56, Soudan, MN 55782.
2. **Defined on Signed Service Order agreement.** These General Terms and Conditions along with the order for service and all attachments comprise the entire agreement between the parties ("Agreement") for the communication, Internet and video services described herein and supersede any and all other agreements between parties related hereto.
3. **Effective Date.** This Agreement is fully binding and enforceable as of the date it is signed by both parties ("Effective Date"), and shall remain in effect during the term of the term of the Agreement. The term(s) ("Contract Term") is stated on the Service Order Agreement ("SOA"). The Contract Term commences as of the date of the initial billing after commencement of service ("Commencement Date").
4. **Services and Services Term.** CTC agrees to provide to Customer and Customer agrees to purchase from CTC, communications, Internet and/or video services ("Services") as described in this Master Agreement and the SOA, at the locations listed on the SOA.
5. **Resale of Services.** The customer may not resell Services provided by CTC to any third parties. Shared Tenant services, as allowed by CTC, must be identified and set forth in an addendum to this agreement.
6. **Rates and Charges.** Rates and charges for services, as set forth in attachment(s), commence upon the Commencement Date. Any Monthly Recurring Charges ("MRC") will be billed in advance each month. Any Non-Recurring Charges ("NRC") will be billed on the next invoice after incurring the charges. CTC may adjust the rates, monthly recurring charges and other charges, for the Services, upon renewal, with the exception of CTC Video, if applicable. Additionally, if city, state and federal sales taxes are raised (including Federal Universal Service Charge or Universal Service Fund), those costs will be passed along to the Customer without notice. CTC shall provide written notice to Customer of any increase sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such increase. In such event, Customer may terminate this agreement without liability to CTC except for payment of outstanding charges and unbilled work in progress for services provided hereunder in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, at any time within the sixty (60) day period next following receipt of the notice described in the preceding sentence.
7. **Payments.** Payments are due net thirty (30) days from the Invoice Date set forth on the CTC invoice. Customer must send CTC written notice of any and all billing disputes on or before the Payment Due Date, specifically detailing the dispute, and Customer must pay all undisputed amounts on or before the Payment Due Date. CTC will investigate all disputes and if appropriate, credit Customer's account or notify Customer of denial of the dispute. CTC may assess a late fee of .75% per month (not to exceed the maximum rate allowed under state law) on all undisputed balances not paid within thirty (30) days of due date. CTC has the option to suspend Services or to pursue any and all other legal remedies until payment is made. Reconnection fees, after suspension of Services, may apply. Customer shall pay any and all costs incurred in collection of charges due and payable, including reasonable attorney's fees and all collections agency costs, whether or not a suit is instituted.
8. **Credit Approval.** This Agreement is subject to credit approval.

9. **Taxes and surcharges.** Customer is responsible for payment of any and all federal, state and local taxes, charges or surcharges imposed on or based upon the provision, sale or use of CTC's Services (excluding CTC's income taxes). CTC will collect all such taxes, charges, and surcharges unless Customer provides CTC proof of exemption. Customer will indemnify CTC for any and all costs, claims, taxes, charges, and surcharges levied against CTC relative to such exempt status. Rate adjustment of taxes or surcharges does not constitute rate adjustment as outlined in paragraph 6 above.
10. **Tariff Application.** Customer acknowledges that the Services may be subject, in whole or in part, to one or more provisions of state or federal tariffs, which may be filed by CTC. In the event of any conflict between any provision of this Agreement and any provision of the tariff, the provision of such tariff will control.
11. **Compliance with Law.** This Agreement is subject to all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rulings, orders, and other actions of governmental agencies ("Rules"), and the obtaining and continuance of any required approvals, authorizations, or tariffs or price lists filed with the FCC or any other governmental agency. CTC will use its good faith reasonable efforts to obtain, retain, and maintain such approvals and authorizations. If any such Rule adversely affects the Services or requires CTC to provide Services other than in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, either party may, without liability to the other party, terminate the affected Services upon 30 days prior written notice to the other party. In performing their obligations under this Agreement, the parties will comply with all applicable Rules, specifically including, but not limited to the Rules governing 911/E-911 and any other emergency services, as discussed below.
12. **Customer use of Service.** Customer's use of the Services provided herein and any equipment associated therewith will not; (a) interfere with or impair Services over CTC's network; (b) impair privacy of any communications over such network; (c) cause damage of any nature to CTC's assets or customers; (d) be used to frighten, abuse, torment, harass others or create hazards to CTC or its network; (e) use the internet for illegal or malicious purposes. CTC may immediately suspend or terminate the Services, without liability, for any violation of these provisions.
13. **E-911.** CTC will provide Customer with the network connection for each circuit, billing telephone number ("BTN") or trunk group that comprise the Services, and CTC will provide the appropriate Public Safety Answering Point ("PSAP") with the automatic location identification ("ALI"), for all BTNs of the circuit or trunk group. Each BTN will only have one emergency response location identified in the ALI information provided to the PSAP. CTC is not responsible for and will not make any changes or submit updates to E-911 databases for any services other than the one emergency response location as set forth above. Customer will indemnify and hold harmless CTC, its officers, directors, affiliated companies, employees, agents and subcontractors from all liabilities, claims, or damages arising out of personal injury or death or damage to property related to E-911 requirements.
14. **Services, Maintenance, and Upgrade of Facilities.** Services will meet industry standards. CTC will maintain its facilities and equipment used to provide the Services set forth in its policies and procedures, at no additional charge to Customer. CTC will maintain in good repair and operation fiber lines to the optical network terminal ("ONT") or network interface device ("NID") located on Customer's property. Customer is responsible for the fiber lines from the ONT or NID into Customer's property ("Customer's Facilities"). In cases where work or service calls result from failure or malfunction in, or improper operation of, Customer's Facilities and/or equipment, Customer will reimburse CTC for the cost of the required maintenance at CTC's standard time and material rate plus any taxes imposed upon CTC related to such maintenance. CTC reserves the right to suspend service for scheduled maintenance or planned enhancements or upgrades to CTC's network with a 24 business hours advance notice to Customer. Scheduled maintenance or planned enhancements or upgrades to CTC's network that are expected to interrupt service will be scheduled between 8PM-7AM Monday – Friday and from 8PM Friday – 7AM Monday, local time. Customer will grant CTC access to its premises for the installation, operation, removal, repair and maintenance of the facilities and equipment for the Services hereunder.

15. **CTC Equipment.** In the event CTC provides any CTC equipment to Customer for Customer's use during the term of the Agreement, such equipment will remain the sole and exclusive property of CTC. Upon termination of the Service, Customer will immediately return CTC's equipment to CTC. In the event Customer fails to return the equipment, CTC may invoice Customer for the then fair market value of such equipment.

16. **DISCLAIMER/LIMITED WARRANTY.** CTC warrants that the service will be available at least 99.9 percent of the time as detailed in Exhibit 1 to this agreement entitled, "Network Availability Service Level Agreement (Data and HPBX).

In the event that Customer experiences multiple service issues and reports them to CTC to be documented, Customer will be allowed to terminate this Agreement without a penalty. Multiple service issues would be defined as total equipment failure onsite at Customer premise for more than 4 hours per incident and 4 or more incidents per year. If a single device fails, it will be replaced as needed and will not be counted toward the number of incidents. These service issues also do not include acts of God or force majeure as defined in Paragraph 22, nor do they include any fiber cuts caused by third parties.

EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT, CTC MAKES NO WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, UNDER THIS AGREEMENT AND SPECIFICALLY DISCLAIMS ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. CTC DOES NOT WARRANT THAT THE SERVICES WILL BE UNINTERRUPTED OR ERROR-FREE, OR THAT THE SERVICE WILL MEET THE CUSTOMER'S REQUIREMENTS

17. **LIMITED LIABILITY.** EXCEPT FOR BODILY INJURY AND DEATH, FOR WHICH THERE SHALL BE NO LIMIT, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE WHICH SHALL BE LIMITED TO THE ACTUAL COST TO REPAIR OR REPLACE CUSTOMER PROPERTY DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY CTC OR AGENTS OF CTC, CTC'S LIABILITY AND THE EXCLUSIVE REMEDY OF CUSTOMER FOR DAMAGES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE SERVICES AND/OR THIS AGREEMENT, WILL BE SOLELY LIMITED TO AN AMOUNT NO GREATER THAN THE AMOUNTS PAID BY CUSTOMER TO CTC DURING THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT NOT TO EXCEED 12 MONTHS. IN NO EVENT WILL CTC BE LIABLE TO THE CUSTOMER FOR LOSS OF USE, INCOME OR PROFITS, LOSS OF REVENUES, LOSS OF SAVINGS OR HARM TO BUSINESS OR ANY OTHER SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE OR CONSEQUENTIAL LOSSES OR DAMAGES DUE TO GROSS NEGLIGENCE BY CTC.

18. **Indemnification.** Customer will indemnify, hold harmless, and defend CTC, its officers, directors, affiliated companies, employees, agents and subcontractors from liabilities, claims or damages and expenses whatsoever (including reasonable attorney's fees) arising out of or in connection with Customer's use, resale or sharing of the Services. Customer's indemnification obligations do not apply to claims for damages to real or tangible personal property or for bodily injury or death negligently or intentionally caused by CTC.

19. **Confidentiality.** The parties may have access to certain information, the ownership and confidential status of which is highly important to the other party and is treated or designated by one of the parties as confidential (herein referred to as "Confidential Information"). Neither party will disclose the other party's Confidential Information, directly or indirectly under any circumstances, to any third person without the express written consent of the other party, and neither party will copy, transmit, reproduce, summarize, quote, or make commercial or other use whatsoever of the other party's Confidential Information, except as may be necessary to perform its duties hereunder or as required by the Rules. Each party will exercise the highest degree of care in safeguarding the other party's Confidential Information against loss, theft, or other inadvertent disclosure and take all steps necessary to maintain such confidentiality.



20. **Default.** If either party violates any provision of this Agreement or if either party becomes or is declared insolvent or bankrupt, is the subject of any proceedings relating to its liquidation, insolvency or for the appointment of a receiver or similar officer for it, makes an assignment for the benefit of all or substantially all of its creditors, enters into an agreement for the composition, extension, or readjustment of all or substantially all of its obligations, or files a petition seeking relief under any chapter of the Bankruptcy Act, or if an involuntary petition under the Bankruptcy Act is filed with respect to such party, the non-defaulting party may send the defaulting party written notice detailing the default. The defaulting party will have: (a) 10 days from the date of the written notice to cure a payment default, or (b) 30 days from the date of the written notice to cure a non-payment default. If the defaulting party fails to cure, the non defaulting party may terminate this Agreement and any Services hereunder upon notice or pursue any and all other legal remedies.

21. **Termination.** At the end of the term stated on the applicable Service Order Agreement, all equipment that is owned by CTC should be either purchased by Customer at Fair Market Value or returned to: CTC, 1102 Madison Street, Brainerd, MN 56401.

If Customer terminates this Agreement or all or any part of the Services hereunder prior to the end of the Contract Term, CTC may charge Customer an early termination fee equal to and including any or all of the following: 100% of the total MRC for the remainder of the Contract Term plus any activation, installation and/or special construction charges and all other NRC fees or costs less amounts already paid except charges previously waived. Customer will not be liable for the early termination fees set forth above if CTC breaches the Agreement or if Customer orders from CTC services of equal or greater MRC than the current services. Customer acknowledges that CTC's damages for early Termination would be difficult to determine and the termination charge(s) constitutes liquidated damages and is not intended as a penalty. All such amounts will become immediately due and payable by Customer to CTC.

At the end of the Service Order Agreement term, the Agreement will renew on a month-to-month basis at the same rate until terminated or renewed.

22. **Force Majeure.** In the event that either party's performance is delayed, prevented, or inhibited because any Act of Nature, fire, casualty, delay or disruption in transportation, flood, war, strike, lockout epidemic, destruction or shutdown of facilities, shortage or curtailment, riot, insurrection, governmental acts or directives, any full or partial failure of any communications, or computer network or any cause beyond such party's reasonable control, the party's performance will be excused and the time for the performance will be extended for the period of delay or inability to perform resulting from such occurrence. The occurrence of such an event will not constitute grounds for declaration of default by either party hereunder.

23. **General.** CTC will comply with all site safety rules. Any amendment to the Agreement must be in writing and signed by the parties hereto. Electronic copies of this Agreement and any amendments or modifications hereto, including electronic signatures, will be accepted by the parties as originals. The failure of either party to insist upon the performance of any provision or to exercise any right granted hereunder, will not be construed as a waiver of such provision(s), and the same will continue in full force. If any provision hereof is held to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions will nevertheless remain unimpaired and in effect. All notices under this Agreement will be in writing and shall be deemed delivered when actually received, or if earlier and regardless of whether actually received (except where actual receipt is mutually agreed upon in this agreement and otherwise), three days (not including Sundays or mail delivery holidays) following the date of deposit in a regularly maintained receptacle for first class mail, or by email transmission. Notices to customer or to CTC will be sent to addresses listed in Paragraph 1. The various rights and remedies given to or reserved by either party herein or allowed by law, are cumulative, and no delay or omission to exercise any of its rights will be construed as a waiver of any default or acquiescence, nor will any waiver of any breach or any provision be considered a condonement or any continuing or subsequent breach of the same provision. Customer may not assign its obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of CTC; such consent will not be unreasonably withheld. This Agreement will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws for the State of Minnesota.

24. **Insurance.** CTC shall obtain and maintain insurance coverage in the following amounts: (i) Comprehensive General Liability – Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage - \$3,000,000; (ii) Comprehensive Auto and Truck Liability, Bodily Injury and Property Damage - \$1,000,000; (iii) Errors and Omissions or Professional Liability Coverage – as appropriate; and (iv) Workers Compensation Coverage – as required by applicable law. CTC will upon request provide one or more Certificates of Insurance with a waiver of subrogation naming Customer as an additional insured and evidencing the required coverage before beginning work hereunder. The required amounts of insurance set forth above shall not be deemed to be a limitation of CTC's liability under this Agreement.

In Witness Whereof, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first written above and the persons signing warrant that they are duly authorized to sign for and on behalf of the respective parties.

**Customer**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Consolidated Telephone Company (CTC)**

*Hannah Anderson*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Sales Assurance Coordinator  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

1/11/2023  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**clerk@breitungtownship.org**

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**From:** Hannah Anderson <Hannah@gotc.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2023 3:27 PM  
**To:** clerk@breitungtownship.org  
**Cc:** chairman@breitungtownship.org  
**Subject:** RE: Your CTC Contract is Expiring!

Hi, Dianna!

I can help with this!

- Unfortunately, we do not offer residential services in Soudan.
- This would be the perfect time! I will request a quote from our engineering team, it looks like we do have fiber available nearby. Are you looking to provide Wi-Fi throughout the campground for guests or office employees only?

**HANNAH  
ANDERSON**

Sales Assurance Coordinator

D: 218-454-1260

F: 218-454-1499

**gotc.com**

**≡ CTC**

**From:** clerk@breitungtownship.org <clerk@breitungtownship.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 25, 2023 10:41 AM  
**To:** Hannah Anderson <Hannah@gotc.com>  
**Cc:** chairman@breitungtownship.org  
**Subject:** RE: Your CTC Contract is Expiring!

CAUTION: This email originated from outside CTC. Do not open links or attachments unless you are expecting this message a

Hi Hannah-

Couple of questions for you.

-Does CTC offer broadband to residential customers? Specifically Soudan, MN  
-The Township owns McKinley Park Campground. The address is 5563 Hoodoo Point Rd, Tower. What would it entail to get broadband at the campground? The township is doing a project this year and tearing up the bike trail where there is currently Frontier network underground. With digging up the trail, this may be the perfect opportunity for a broadband line to be installed.

If you're not the person I need to talk to, please refer me. Thanks.



# LINE EXTENSION CONNECTION

## WHAT IS THE MINNESOTA BROADBAND LINE EXTENSION CONNECTION?

The Line Extension Connection program goal is to connect residents and businesses that lack access to broadband internet service to service providers, and then assist in the expense of extending broadband to those locations.

## HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

Residential and business locations that are unserved (lack access to speeds of at least 25Mbps download and 3Mbps upload) can apply by entering their information into the Line Extension Connection portal\*. This will initiate their interest in receiving broadband internet service and make their location available for consideration.

By submitting your address into the Line Extension Connection portal, internet service providers will have the opportunity to review the location and submit a bid based on the cost to bring service to your location.

The Office of Broadband Development will evaluate these bids and required provider documentation and make awards to the providers whose bid proposes the lowest cost to the State for extension of the service.



*\*Submitting location information into the Line Extension Connection portal does not guarantee extension of service.*

*\*If a resident or business cannot access the online portal, the Office of Broadband Development can assist in this process. Please call 651-259-7610.*

## WHO CAN APPLY

Locations that currently lack broadband service or have actual broadband speeds of less than 25/3Mbps.

## FUNDING

The Minnesota Broadband Line Extension Connection Program has been allocated \$15 million in total funding.

Limits per line extension are set by Minnesota law. These limits are:

- A per line extension amount cannot exceed \$25,000.
- The Office of Broadband Development must ensure the bid is a cost-effective use of state funds.

## TIMELINE

The Minnesota Broadband Line Extension Connection online portal is accepting applications.

The bidding and review processes must take place before awards can be made. Once made, projects must be completed within 12 months of the contract date.

- At least every six months, OBD will provide Internet Service Providers the listing of addresses requesting service
- Service providers will have 10 days to notify OBD of service availability at those locations
- Service Providers have 60 days to submit bids on locations they would like to extend service to
- OBD will evaluate all bids within 60 days and select the provider whose bid requests the lowest amount of financial support from the state.



[mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/extension](https://mn.gov/deed/programs-services/broadband/extension)

Need help applying or to request a paper form? Call 651-259-7610

**From:** St. Louis County MN <stlouiscountymn@public.govdelivery.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 23, 2022 11:10 AM  
**To:** clerk@breitungtownship.org  
**Subject:** Call for Border-to-Border and Low-Density Pilot Program Broadband Applications



December 23, 2022



Welcome to the St. Louis County Broadband newsletter. You are receiving this message because you have been signed up for broadband updates with the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Department. This resource will keep you updated with information about broadband news.

## **Call for Border-to-Border and Low-Density Pilot Program Broadband Applications**

### **Program Description and Background**

In order to continue to promote broadband infrastructure expansion for areas of Minnesota that remain unserved or underserved, public sector investment is necessary. The Border-to-Border Broadband Development Grant Program was initially established by the 2014 legislature to assist with costly deployment projects that might not occur without public financial assistance. The Low-Density Pilot Program was created by the legislature in 2022. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §§ 116J.394-116J.398, the State of Minnesota, Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) has the authority to award grants to assist broadband providers with eligible infrastructure installation costs.

### **Funding Availability for 2023**

The funding available to be awarded to selected Grantees will be approximately \$67 million. As designated in the 2022 legislative session, \$25 million has been appropriated from the State General Revenue Fund and \$12 million was approved by the state legislature from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act Capital Projects Fund both for the Border-to-Border Broadband Development Grant Program. The maximum individual grant amount is \$5 million. The maximum grant funding award cannot exceed 50% of the eligible total project costs. Furthermore, an additional \$30 million was approved by the state legislature from the Federal American Rescue Plan Act Capital Projects Fund for a Low-Density Pilot Grant Program. The maximum individual grant amount is \$10 million and the grant funding award cannot exceed 75% of the

eligible total project costs. Priority consideration will be given to projects that leverage funding from other community, private and public sources.

## Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants for this program are an incorporated business or partnership, a political subdivision, an Indian tribe, a Minnesota nonprofit organization organized under chapter 317A, a Minnesota cooperative association organized under chapter 308A or 308B, or a Minnesota limited liability corporation organized under chapter 322C for the purpose of expanding broadband access.

For additional information, please see the DEED link here: [Broadband Grant Program / Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development \(mn.gov\)](#)

## Application Window and Deadlines for 2023

The Minnesota Broadband Grant Program is a competitive grant award cycle for funds appropriated by the 2022 legislature. The grant application for the 2023 round will be available on December 19, 2022. A copy of the application packet can be found on DEED's website link listed above and under the "2023 Application Process" tab.

**All applications must be received by DEED on or before the application deadline of March 2, 2023, no later than 4 p.m. Central Time**

Applications MUST be UPLOADED to DEED via Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) portal on or prior to 4 p.m. Central Time on March 2, 2023, to be deemed eligible for funding. The application portal to submit your completed application will open February 3, 2023. The instructions to submit your application via the SFTP portal will be located on the same Office of Broadband Development (OBD) web page as above.

Announcement of awards is anticipated in Summer 2023.

## Contact Information

For more information and Grant Instructions and Application Packet, consult our website, under Broadband Grant Program – 2023 Application Process tab. Questions may be submitted to [deed.broadband@state.mn.us](mailto:deed.broadband@state.mn.us) and will be included in the FAQs posted on the website.

**Questions may be asked until the submission deadline of 4:00 p.m. central time on March 2, 2023.**

For additional information regarding St. Louis County Broadband resources please visit our Broadband webpage here: [stlouiscountymn.gov/broadband](http://stlouiscountymn.gov/broadband)

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## Contact us

St. Louis County Planning and Community Development  
Brad Gustafson, Planning Manager  
201 South 3rd Avenue West  
Virginia, MN 55792  
218-742-9563  
[gustafsonb@stlouiscountymn.gov](mailto:gustafsonb@stlouiscountymn.gov)

TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG  
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-04

STATE OF MINNESOTA  
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS  
TOWNSHIP OF BREITUNG

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWSHIP OF BREITUNG TO  
MAKE APPLICATION TO AND ACCEPT FUNDS FROM IRRR FY23  
CULTURE AND TOURISM PROGRAM

WHEREAS THE authorizing authority approves of the Grant Manager  
applying for the Culture and Tourism Program – Various Projects

WHEREAS THE authorizing authority agrees to accept funding for the  
underlying project if approved by the IRRRB.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED that the authorizing authority of the Township of  
Breitung does adopt this resolution.

Upon vote taken, the following voted:

For: Tomsich, Dostert, Tekautz

Against: None

Whereupon said Resolution NO. 2023-04 was declared duly passed and  
adopted this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

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Timothy Tomsich – Chairman

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Dianna Sunsdahl – Clerk

## **Resolution 2023-01**

Breitung Township  
Of St Louis County, Minnesota

### **RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TOWNSHIP ELECTION HOURS**

**WHEREAS**, Minnesota Statutes Section § 205.175, subd. 3 require the town board, as governing body of the Town of Breitung to post the Polling Place and set voting hours for the township election.

**WHEREAS**, the Breitung Township Community Center located at 33 First Avenue, Soudan, Minnesota, 55782 is designated as the voting place.

**WHEREAS**, the Breitung Township Election hours will be from \_\_\_\_\_ to 8:00pm on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the town board of Breitung Township, St Louis County, Minnesota does hereby designate \_\_\_\_\_ to 8:00pm as its township election hours.

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the township notify residents of this designation by following the requirements of Minn. Stat. § 205.16.

Adopted this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

Upon vote taken, the following voted: Chairman Tomsich, Supervisor Tekautz, and Supervisor Dostert

For:

Against:

**By the Breitung Town Board**

**Attested to by**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town Chair-Tim Tomsich

\_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk-Dianna Sundahl

## RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES 2023-02

**WHEREAS:** Minnesota Statutes § 204B.21 allows Breitung Township to appoint election judges;

**WHEREAS:** Minnesota Statutes § 204B.19, subdivision 2 requires that an election judge (1) can read, write, and speak the English language, (2) is not the spouse, parent, child, or sibling of any election judge serving in the same precinct or any candidate of the election, (3) is not domiciled, either permanently or temporarily with any candidate at the election, or (4) is not a candidate in the election;

**WHEREAS,** the base number of required election judges for an election in Minnesota under Minnesota Statutes § 204B.22 has been determined to be a minimum of (4) Four for the precinct of Breitung Township ;

**WHEREAS,** the clerk recommends election judges due to the anticipated voter turnout, election judge availability, and necessity of maintaining party balance at all times during the day; and

**WHEREAS:** the following list of judges fulfills the requirements listed in Minnesota Statutes § 204B.19, subdivision 2:

Valeda McDonald  
Randy Winkelar  
Jayne Sundeen  
Cindy Zollar

Katy Popesh  
Kathleen Zavodnick  
Stephanie Ukkola  
Miranda Kishel

Trudy Hendricks  
Laurie Anderson  
Sally Turk  
Joe La Forte

**WHEREAS:** under Minnesota Statutes § 204B.21, subdivision 2, a resolution is mandatory if the appointment of the election judge is within 25 days of the election in which the election judge will serve.

**WHEREAS:** 03 / 14 / 2022 is the date of the election in which the election judge is to serve;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** the Town Board of Breitung Township hereby appoints the following election judges as eligible to serve in the Township Election on March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, pending completion of their training and otherwise qualifying for the office:

Valeda McDonald  
Randy Winkelar  
Jayne Sundeen  
Cindy Zollar

Katy Popesh  
Kathleen Zavodnick  
Stephanie Ukkola  
Miranda Kishel

Trudy Hendricks  
Laurie Anderson  
Sally Turk  
Joe La Forte



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** the Town Board of Breitung Township hereby authorizes any election judge to be compensated as required by Minnesota Statutes § 204B.31, in an amount set by the Town Board at their regular hourly rates for the clerk and deputy clerk and at \$ 15.00 per hour for all other trained election judges, which is not less than the prevailing Minnesota minimum wage, (plus meals the day of the election) ;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** the Town Board of Breitung Township hereby authorizes the Town Clerk to add additional election judges as needed and allowed by Minnesota Statutes § 204B.21.

Passed this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023

BY THE BREITUNG TOWN  
BOARD

Ayes: \_\_\_\_\_

Nays: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Tim Tomsich, Town Board Chair

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dianna Sundahl, Clerk

RESOLUTION 2023-03  
BREITUNG TOWNSHIP of St. Louis County, MN  
**Resolution Appointing 2023 Absentee Ballot Board**

**Whereas**, Minnesota Statutes Section 203B.121, subd.1 requires the Town board, as governing body of the Town, to appoint a ballot board to process all absentee ballots returned to the Town clerk for the Township Election.

**Whereas**, the ballot board must consist of election judges trained in the handling of absentee ballots, or staff trained as election judges; and

**Whereas**, even though only two members are required to meet whenever an absentee ballot needs to be processed, the ballot board must consist of at least the same number of members as the minimum number of required election judges for the Town election, which pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 204B.22 has been determined to be three. Whereas, the Town Board for the Town of Breitung has appointed its election judges for the 2023 Township of Breitung Local Election.

**Now Therefore Let It Be Resolved:** That the Town Board for the Town of Breitung hereby appoints the following election judges to serve as the ballot board required to perform all duties required in the processing of absentee ballots required under Minnesota Statutes Section 203B.121 and all other applicable statutes and rules:

Katy Popesh, Randy Winkelar, Trudy Hendricks

**Be It Further Resolved:** That the Town Board of the Town of Breitung hereby authorizes any member of the ballot board to be compensated as required by Minnesota Statutes Section 203B.121, when said member performs any required duty of the ballot board.

Adopted by the Breitung Town Board, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Upon vote taken the following voted: Chairman Tim Tomsich, Supervisor Chuck Tekautz, Supervisor Gregory Dostert

For:

Against:

**By the Breitung Town Board**

**Attested to by**

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**Town Chair-Tim Tomsich**

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**Town Clerk-Dianna Sundahl**