

Resolution _____ of 2017. Resolution authorizing town commitment from donations to Caroline Broadband Fund for Phase II and III awards

Whereas, the hilly terrain and low population density of Caroline make build out of broadband infrastructure economically infeasible in many areas; and

Whereas, Haefele TV was awarded Round II and III grants from the New York State Broadband Program for expansion of fiber-to-the-home service in Caroline; and

Whereas, Haefele TV is submitting a proposal for additional broadband service in Caroline under Round III of the New York State Broadband Program; and

Whereas, fiber-to-home technology will provide enduring high quality service that meets New York State's high-speed threshold; and

Whereas, the Town's Communications and Information Committee has secured and committed funds (10% of construction costs up to a limit of \$32,000) to support an additional 2.4 miles of infrastructure serving an additional 11 homes in Haefele's fiber-to-the-home buildout, bringing the total project to 16.8 miles of high-speed infrastructure serving 126 homes; and

Whereas, the Park Foundation and Tompkins County donated a total of \$35,000 to facilitate the build out of broadband in Caroline after Caroline was eliminated from a New York State Broadband Grant; therefore be it

Resolved, the Caroline Town Board authorizes expending these donated funds to support Haefele TV's grant proposal for Phase III of the New York State Broadband Program.

Adopted Witmer: aye; Fracchia: aye; Weiser: aye; Reinbolt: aye; Snow: aye