

## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE COMMUNITY

Dear Neighbor,

Tyco has been invited to the **Town of Peshtigo Board of Supervisors' public meeting on February 18th to discuss the water line**, and we hope you can attend. You can find the details at [www.townofpeshtigo.org/meetings](http://www.townofpeshtigo.org/meetings).

We are encouraged by this opportunity and the Board's votes in October and January to begin talks with Marinette about potentially supplying water. We, like many of you, believe that there needs to be a long-term solution and now is the time to move this effort forward. As we announced 2 years ago and have remained committed to, Tyco is ready to build the water line as soon as elected officials and you, their constituents, decide on the approach you prefer. If action is taken now, we can get shovels in the ground *this year*. Further delay may mean we lose the construction season window and yet another year.

### There are multiple options

Expert studies, including an independent report for the Town of Peshtigo (ToP), concluded that a municipal water line is the best option. There are a variety of options on how to structure the water line, with or without annexation, and each has "pros and cons" that officials of the ToP and City of Marinette (CoM) will want to consider, including:

- Establishing a ToP water authority, purchasing water in bulk from the CoM, and operating the water system and services via the Authority or contracting out to a third-party, which would not require annexation
- Establishing an intergovernmental agreement between the ToP and the CoM to provide water without annexation, which may require the City to act to amend its ordinance
- Securing water service from the CoM, with annexation

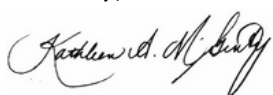
Whatever option is chosen by the elected officials and you, as their constituents weighing in, Tyco is committed to continuing to support the legal and technical resources needed for the jurisdictions to make informed decisions.

Now, some of you are wondering whether there will be significant costs to you as part of this. Let me be clear: We are committed to ensuring that solving this water problem by building a permanent water line will not cause you or the community a financial burden. We want to solve a problem here, not create a new one. As soon as you, your elected officials, and the CoM decide on a preferred specific approach to receiving water, we are ready to work with you to get the job done.

With the recent important votes by the ToP Board to move the process along, we are hopeful that we might finally make progress on this vital project. Again, continued progress now is essential: if we can continue the momentum and decisions are made, Tyco can have shovels in the ground and a water line underway *this construction season*. None of us want to lose another full year.

Thank you for giving your attention to this important matter. We would like to work with you and provide a permanent solution as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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