

**RESOLUTION 2021 - 7**

**DAVISS COUNTY, INDIANA**

**Electronic Attendance Policy for Public Meetings**

**WHEREAS**, in recognition that public meeting rules could be amended to take advantage of technological advances, I.C. 5-14-1.5-3.5 et seq was recently amended by the Indiana General Assembly; and

**WHEREAS**, Indiana law now allows for electronic participation in some public meetings by up to fifty percent (50%) of members of a governing body provided the governing body adopts a policy that complies with the amended law; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to facilitate member participation in meetings when physical presence is not possible, electronic communication is expressly permitted under this policy and pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-3.6; and

**WHEREAS**, the Daviess County, Indiana (the "County") Board of Commissioners (the "Commissioners") and the County Council ("County Council") wish to adopt and follow new rules, as permitted by such Indiana Code provisions, and

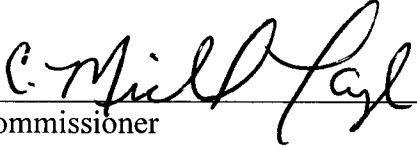
**WHEREAS**, the County does not wish to be more stringent on member participation; and

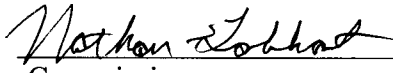
**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that:**

1. If executed by a majority of such body, the Commissioners and County Council hereby adopt this policy and follow the associated procedures of I.C. 5-14-1.5-3.5 and - 3.6 et seq.
2. The County hereby authorizes members of the Commissioners and County Council who are not physically present at a meeting of the governing body to participate in a meeting of the governing body by electronic communication as set forth in this policy, and in accordance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-3.6. Unless specifically stated by this policy, or otherwise excluded under statute, all other policies and rules governing meetings (relating to notice, meetings being open to the public, and other matters) also apply to meetings held using electronic communication.
3. A member of such governing body may participate by any means of communication that:
  - a. allows all participating members of the governing body to simultaneously communicate with each other; and
  - b. except for a meeting that is an executive session, allows the public to simultaneously attend and observe the meeting.
4. Other public bodies of the County may opt into the policy specified herein.

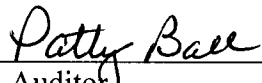
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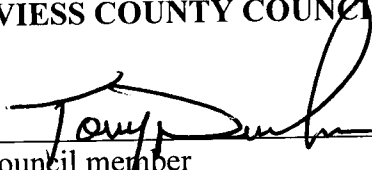
  
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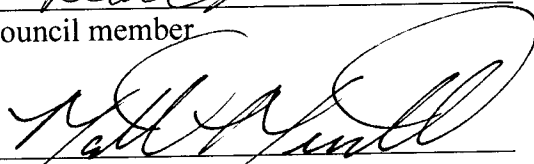
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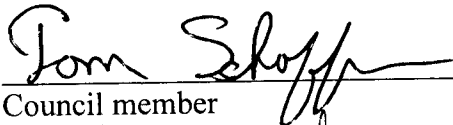
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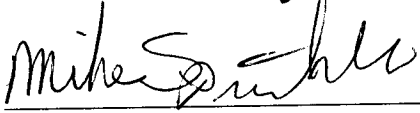
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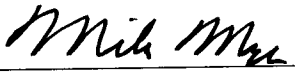
  
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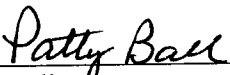
  
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