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Subject: Support Needed: Recording and Broadcasting County Commission Meetings

Dear Township Boards,

I hope you'll consider attending the upcoming County Commission meeting on **May 20**. Your presence and support are incredibly important as we discuss the need to **record and broadcast County Commission meetings**—a step I believe is essential for promoting transparency and building public trust.

I've tried to move this initiative forward on my own, but meaningful change often requires a collective voice. That's why I'm now reaching out for your help.

Currently, our Commission does **not** record or broadcast its meetings. This limits public access to decisions that affect our county's future, weakens accountability, and discourages civic engagement—particularly among younger generations. Recording and broadcasting meetings would allow residents to stay informed, even if they can't attend in person—whether they're at work, at home, or even in a tractor cab.

The **Attorney General's Office** has identified this as a best practice, a point reinforced by the **Deputy Attorney General** at the recent Commissioners Spring Workshop. Creating a clear record of government discussions not only fosters trust but also ensures elected officials can be held accountable.

Many government bodies across the state have already adopted this approach. It's time we do the same. In fact, I've heard from many residents asking why this hasn't already been implemented.

If you support this effort, please plan to attend the May 20 meeting and help advocate for a more open and accessible county government. I'll share the agenda and time as soon as they are available.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Commissioner Jerry Doyle