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County Signs Agreement to Provide Wireless Internet Service

The County of Grande Prairie has entered into a partnership with GPN Wireless Network Solutions Ltd. to provide wireless high speed internet service to County residents. The County will invest \$260,000 to construct up to 26 towers for rural areas currently experiencing difficulty obtaining high speed service.

G.P.N. Wireless Network Solution (G.P.N.) is a locally owned and operated company operating in the County of Grande Prairie since 2005 and under a different name in similar fields of expertise since 1986. Owners and operators of the company have combined experience of 45 years in the fields of computing, networking, electronics and management.

“We would like to thank the County for the opportunity to expand our business and for the trust given to us to provide residents with high speed internet services,” stated co-owners Boris and Ivo Martinek. “This service clearly improves the quality of life for our residents, benefits businesses and industry and provides opportunities for economic development,” said County Internet Committee Chairperson Richard Harpe. “Emergency services will also benefit by using the towers in areas that are currently outside of the range of radio signals.”

The towers will be constructed over a period of 18 to 24 months. Demand will determine which areas of the County receive the service first. If you are interested in wireless high speed internet service in your area, please visit www.cool.ca to register or call GPN at 882-6623.

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