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Date: June 26, 2023
To: Mayor Kudron and the Board of Trustees
From: John Crone, Town Manager
Re: Consideration of a Purchase of Two Passenger Vans

Background

The Grand Lake Metropolitan Recreation District has offered to sell its two passenger vans to the Town. They have a 2000 Dodge Ram 3500 that seats eleven people (the green van) and a 2009 Ford E-350 that seats 15 people (the white van). The Rec District offered to give the Town the Green van for a de minimus payment (\$10). They are willing to sell the White van for \$15,000. The current Kelley Blue Book value is \$17,144 - \$20,069. The Town did not budget for these purchases; however, staff has determined that there are sufficient funds available. Staff has had the vehicles inspected and they are in good shape and safe to drive.

If the Town acquires the vans, staff's intention is to immediately use the vans to provide transportation for Day Camp field trips. This will allow our day camp to offer a much more developed curriculum and provide a much more entertaining experience for our children. It has been stressed that the Town needs to attract more families and more children. Providing a comprehensive day camp (and after-school program) that includes trips to the cultural and environmental treasures in our county will go a long way in convincing families that this is a good place to raise their kids.

There are other possible uses for the vans. The Town of Winter Park is officially opening their new bus barn this Thursday; and, they have reached out to Grand Lake to discuss expanding a Lift route to Town. If this comes to pass, it is likely that the Town would use the vans to provide a first/last mile connection for our locals to get to the new bus stops. Staff also anticipates using the vans whenever several workers need to go to the same place for training or conferences.

Motion

If the Board of Trustees desires to purchase the two vans from the GLMRD, then it may do so by approving the following motion:

I move to approve an expenditure of \$15,010 to acquire two passenger vans from the GLMRD.