



REPORT TO VILLAGE BOARD

AGENDA ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION: Contract for Service-Marathon County Humane Society
MEETING DATE: November 13, 2023
PRESENTING COMMITTEE: VB
COMMITTEE CONTACT: Bobbi Birk-LaBarge
STAFF CONTACT: Bobbi Birk-LaBarge
PREPARED BY: BOBBI BIRK-LABARGE; VILLAGE CLERK

AGENDA ITEM: The Village has a contract with the Marathon County Humane Society for non-dog service. We annually renew the contract.

OBJECTIVES: Obtain non-dog service for the Village

HISTORY/BACKGROUND/PREVIOUS ACTIONS: The contract includes service for 15 non-dog animals and says that if the Village has any more than that, the Village will pay a flat fee for each additional stray. In 2023, the Village had 19 non-dog strays, and we predict to end the year with 15. The contract can be updated to nineteen if the board prefers. It is significantly cost prohibitive to run an animal shelter, and hence contracting for this service is a better option for the Village at this time.

PROPOSAL: Recommend the Village Board approve THIS contract with the Marathon County Humane Society for non-dog service.

ADVANTAGES: 1. This contract will lock in for another year of non-dog service for the Village. 2. Costs for the Village will be defined for the non-dog service.

DISADVANTAGES: The Village will only be able to get into a one-year service contract.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Make a motion to approve a contract with the Marathon County Humane Society for non-dog service as presented.

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED: The Village could create an animal shelter. That would be extremely expensive versus our current contract, and hence not an option I would recommend. The Village could try and contract with a local veterinarian to provide this service however, local vets are hesitant to provide this service as they do not offer adoption services and could potentially intake animals that could harm/infect their current clients.

TIMING REQUIREMENTS/CONSTRAINTS: The Village's current contract ends at the end of 2023, and hence I am requesting the committee move this item along as quickly as possible.

ITEMIZE ALL ANTICIPATED COSTS (Direct or Indirect, Start-Up/One-Time, Capital, Ongoing & Annual, Debt Service, etc. \$2775 for the contract, for up to FIFTEEN (15) non-dog strays LESS 2022 Return To Owner credits of \$120 for a NET contract amount of \$2655.

FUNDING SOURCE(s) – Must include Account Number/Description/Budgeted Amt CFY/% Used CFY/\$

Remaining CFY 2024

Account Number: 100-00-54110-210-000

Description: Animal Control Non-Dog

Budgeted Amount:

Budgeted Amount:

Spent to Date:

Percentage Used:

Remaining:

ATTACHMENTS (describe briefly): Proposed contract for non-dog service