



## **Report to Village Board**

**Agenda Item:** Resolution No.: 2024-011; Sale of Village-Owned Surplus Personal Property; 2014

Ram 1500 Promaster Cargo Van

**Meeting Date:** August 26, 2024

**Referring Body:** Village Board

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**OBJECTIVE(S):** This report outlines the proposal to place a company vehicle on a publicly available auction to be sold to the highest bidder. The purpose of this action is to ensure the optimal return on investment and efficient utilization of village resources.

**HISTORY/BACKGROUND:** This van was purchased by MTS, the previous caretaker of the utilities for the Village. The Village acquired the vehicle during the takeover of the utilities.

It was taken into Brickners on June 26, 2024, due to some issues with what was thought to be transmission-related. Water Utility operator Mark Mackey was told by one of the service writers at Brickners, that the transmission on the utility van needs to be replaced. The service writer said it would be about \$9k to replace.

After speaking with the Water Lead Mark Mackey and Public Works Lead Brad Jacobson, they determined the vehicle size doesn't work for their operations. Tools and equipment don't fit and it's an extra piece of equipment they just wouldn't need. It also doesn't have a spot in any of our garages for staying out of the elements while parked.

2014 Model year

Ram 1500 Promaster Cargo Van

136" Wheelbase – Low Roof

Exterior Color: White

Interior Color/Material: Grey Cloth

Engine: 3.6L Pentastar V6 Engine

Transmission: 6-Speed Automatic – Transmission has failed and will need to be replaced.

Mileage: 50,121

Est. Value \$11,000

**PROPOSAL:** Proposal to Auction Company Vehicle

**Proposed Actions:** Approval Request: Seek approval from the village board to proceed with placing the vehicle on public auction. Preparation: Arrange for the vehicle to be cleaned, serviced, and prepared for the auction. Advertisement: Promote the auction through appropriate channels to ensure

maximum visibility and attract potential buyers. Auction Management: Engage with the auction platform/service provider to handle the auction process, including bidding and final sale transactions

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Place the 2014 Ram 1500 Promaster Cargo Van at auction to the highest responsible bidder and place the funds made from the auction sale or be granted permission to have a new transmission installed.

**Recommendations:**

**Approve:** the sale of the vehicle via public auction.

**Authorize:** the preparation and promotion of the vehicle for auction.

**Designate:** Administrative Assistant Jennifer Poyer to oversee the auction process and handle related tasks.

**Rationale for Sale:**

**Underutilization:** The vehicle has been underutilized in recent months/years, leading to increased maintenance costs and decreased operational efficiency.

**Financial Benefit:** Selling the vehicle at auction allows us to potentially recover a significant portion of its value, which can be redirected towards other village needs or projects.

**Maintenance Costs:** The ongoing maintenance and repair costs of the vehicle exceed its current utility value, making its sale a more cost-effective solution.

**ATTACHMENTS: FIN-006, 2024-011 RESOLUTION, 06/26/2024 BRICKNERS INVOICE, ESTIMATED VALUE**