

Report to Village Board

Agenda Item:

Meeting Date: August 12

Referring Body: Trustees Chris Eiden and Ken Charneski

Committee Contact: none Staff Contact: Peter Wegner

Report Prepared by: Ken Charneski

AGENDA ITEM: Review and evaluation of Village Ambulance Plan

OBJECTIVE(S): To get an objective, third party review of the plan that was previously presented to the Village Board

HISTORY/BACKGROUND: The Kronenwetter Ambulance service proposal has been controversial almost from the time it was first proposed. One of the main points of contention has been the lack of an impartial third-party evaluation of the current proposal.

The Village Board has directed staff to prepare a Request for Proposal to consultants knowledgeable in this field to do a feasibility study of the plan, at a cost estimated to be around \$20,000.

The Wisconsin Office of Rural Health is an agency that provides such consulting services, and those services are without cost to the Village. This is one alternative to a paid consultant, and since the opportunity presented itself through a tip from resident Bernie Kramer, Trustees Eiden and Charneski have had this item put on the agenda, per Village Policy, as a service to the residents and other trustees of Kronenwetter, in order to provide information relevant to critical decisions being made by the Village Board.

Hopefully one or two other such impartial and independent sources of information and evaluation can be found, and if their findings concur, we may not need to spend the money on a paid consultant to provide this information.

Chris Eiden has also provided a spreadsheet billing/payment comparison for Pardeeville, where Kim Manley is Chair of the Ambulance Service Commission.

PROPOSAL: To get several objective, third party reviews of the Ambulance plan that was previously presented to the Village Board. This would be the first of such presentations to the Board, and is provided by James Small of the Wisconsin Office of Rural Health. Website at:

https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__worh.org_resources_health-2Dcare_ems_&d=DwMFAw&c=euGZstcaTDllvimEN8b7jXrwqOf-v5A_CdpgnVfiiMM&r=fErBheAv7PY3iSG09iXK9voQJO_3B2q8HSFAuYLZECI&m=b9rNs37gj9pWsZowLHWwOucCblP5iOFLiNVkwOKHkpcbfQJeZkwpHfUJlRJu3-hd&s=Lydu8Nnx2XWN3Dn0BHNRXvmQCWLH1OE1GzwVHZZ0M&e=

After the presentation he will also take questions.

Here are more articles on this issue:

https://pbswisconsin.org/news-item/wisconsins-ems-agencies-describe-a-system-in-crisis/

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None. For information purposes only

FINANCIAL

Financial Consideration/Action: None. This is a Wisconsin government agency, and the service is provided without cost to the Village.

FUNDING SOURCE:

Account Number/Title: #
Current Adopted Budget: \$
Spent to Date: \$
Remaining Budget: \$
Requested Amount: \$

Remainder of Budgeted Amount, if approved:

ATTACHMENTS: April 2024 email to Leonard Ludi; Review WORH of the Kronenwetter ambulance service plan, EMS Reliability Report, Billing spreadsheet from Pardeeville, Intro to spreadsheet by Chris Eiden.