



Report to Village Board

Agenda Item: Riverside Ambulance Contract Cost Proposal

Meeting Date: October 28, 2024

Referring Body: Trustees Charneski and Eiden

Committee Contact:

Staff Contact:

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AGENDA ITEM: Contract with Riverside Ambulance Service

OBJECTIVE(S): Lock in favorable rates for Ambulance Service

HISTORY/BACKGROUND: On August 23, Trustees Eiden, and Charneski, along with Fire Chief Obrien, met with Riverside officials to obtain a reliable idea of what the costs to the Village would be if Kronenwetter was to renew the current contract for ambulance service to the Village.

The attached drafts show that the current contract could be extended as is, with a 2% annual cost increase. This would amount to **about \$74 - 80,000 per year, or less than a \$9 per capita cost to the Village** for top notch ambulance service.

This information was reported to the Village Board at the August 26 meeting, and while some trustees found this proposal to be very favorable to the Village, others were skeptical that a mere 2% annual increase from current costs would actually be approved in a contract. The item was an informational report and no action was taken at that time.

At the October 14 Village Board meeting Trustees Eiden and Charneski brought an item for the Board to get an officially approved contract cost from Riverside for consideration in Kronenwetter's deliberations regarding creating their own ambulance service.

The attached letter from Riverside interim fire chief Jody Clements confirms that the **Riverside Fire Board has taken official action to extend the service through 2030 at the current cost plus an annual 2% increase.**

PROPOSAL: Consider this opportunity to lock in exceptionally favorable ambulance service costs through 2030.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: As the Village Board decides - Either agree to extend the current contract, lock in these costs, and move on to other issues, or delay the agreement while the Ambulance ad hoc Committee evaluates the feasibility and costs of a new Kronenwetter ambulance service.

FINANCIAL

Financial Consideration/Action:

FUNDING SOURCE: N/A until future year budgets

Account Number/Title: #
Current Adopted Budget: \$
Spent to Date: \$
Remaining Budget: \$
Requested Amount: \$
Remainder of Budgeted Amount, if approved:

ATTACHMENTS: Draft proposals from Riverside, Letter from Chief Clements