

VILLAGE OF ROSCOE

AGENDA ITEM - STAFF REPORT



Agenda Item: Authorization of entering into an agreement with i3 for fiber services for the Village of Roscoe

Date: 9/16/2025

Meeting: Village Board

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Overview/Background Information

In 2013, the Village of Roscoe entered into a five-year agreement with iFiber for broadband services at a cost of \$600 per month. The contract began on January 1, 2014, and was renewed by the Village Board in 2019 at a new rate of \$700 per month.

In June 2024, iFiber was acquired by Stratus Networks. As a result of this acquisition, the Village's monthly service cost increased by \$400, bringing the total to \$1,101 per month.

Since that time, additional providers have begun installing fiber lines throughout the Village. The Village has received quotes from i3 and MetroNet, with i3 offering the lowest rate at \$699.99 per month. In addition to cost savings, staff anticipates that i3 will provide more reliable service. The contract is for a period of 37-months.

To establish service with i3, fiber must be extended to Village Hall. Since existing lines are located across Main Street, this will require boring beneath the roadway. Permitting will be necessary for this work, but staff is prepared to expedite the process in coordination with the Village Engineer.

The Village will be ending its current contract with Stratus Network when the connection to i3 has been established and fully tested.

Action Required/Recommendation

Approval is requested to expedite the process.

Attachments

i3 Contract