



TOWN OF CEDAR LAKE BOARD OF SAFETY WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 at 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER: 5:38 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

	VACANT, Member	Present	William Fisher, Police Chief
Present	James Olthoff, Member	Present	Todd Wilkening, Fire Chief
Present	David Villalobos, Member	Present	Carl Brittingham, Deputy Chief Police
Present	Lester Kaper, Vice-Chairman	Present	Nick Mager, Deputy Chief Fire
Zoom	Norman Stick, Chairman	Present	Ralph Miller, Town Council Liaison
		Absent	Nick Recupito, Town Council Liaison
		Present	David Austgen, Town Attorney

WORK SESSION:

1. General Discussion – Ambulance Purchase

Kaper discussed there are two bids. Chief Wilkening stated the Osage is the one we currently have and that this is the recommendation to move forward on. The other possibility would be a Horton ambulance.

Deputy Fire Chief Mager discussed the differences between the Osage and Horton ambulance.

Kaper asked when the ambulance needs service, where does it go to. Chief Mager commented everything is computerized and can log into the ambulance and see what a problem is. Chief Wilkening commented there is a company in Illinois that can do repairs, but this is for the Osage brand.

Villalobos asked what is the difference in price. Chief Mager commented \$371,000 for the Horton and it does not include all of the lights, refrigerator and other accessories. The Osage ambulance is \$384,205 with no equipment and it will be another \$100,000 for the equipment.

Kaper asked does the cap of \$400,000 include with the equipment. Chief Wilkening stated the equipment would come out of CCD funds available when the ambulance would be delivered.

Kaper asked what are the order dates before the price increase. Chief Mager commented October 2023.

Chief Wilkening commented we can get the Osage earlier as they would take a demo and assemble what we need. Our third ambulance can be retired or used for non-emergency.

Kaper asked the delivery for the Osage is approximately two and a half years. Chief Mager commented less than two years.

Chief Wilkening commented the recommendation based on the research is to buy the Osage ambulance. The Horton does not have the same options and we are trying to stay standard and we spent a lot of time building an ambulance that meets the communities needs.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Kaper called for Public Comment. None was had.

ADJOURNMENT: 6:02 p.m.

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Cheryl Hajduk, Recording Secretary