



STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #: 20-60
COUNCIL MTG OF: June 2, 2020
FROM: Dave Caron, Town Administrator
OFFERED BY: Michael J. Gagnon, Fire Chief
PREPARED BY: Michael J. Gagnon, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: Inter-Municipal Agreement - Auburn Dispatch Contract

PURPOSE:

Authorize the Town Administrator to sign a NH RSA 53-A compliant inter-municipal agreement to continue providing fire and EMS Dispatch Services for the Town of Auburn, NH.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:

The Town of Derry has provided fire and EMS Dispatch services for the Town of Auburn, NH for several years. This partnership has proven beneficial for both communities. Auburn receives high quality fire and EMS dispatching services, while Derry receives revenue from an approved annual subsidy. This additional revenue is utilized to offset the overall expenses of the fire department budget. It is recommended that the Derry Town Council approve the continuation of this inter-municipal agreement.

BACKGROUND:

The Derry Fire Department has provided fire and EMS dispatching services for the Town of Auburn for several years. The Fire Department provides this service without additional manpower or equipment. This agreement provides for an annual subsidy to cover expenses associated with the contract. It is recommended that the Derry Town Council approve the continuation of this inter-municipal agreement.

DISCUSSION:

The Derry Fire Department and Auburn Fire Department have worked together in a cooperative manner for several years. The current Fire and EMS dispatch contract is set to expire on June 30 of this year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The negotiated annual subsidy for providing fire and EMS dispatch service is as follows:

TERM	ANNUAL PAYMENT
YEAR 1 (JULY 1, 2020 - JUNE 30, 2021)	\$51,888
YEAR 2 (JULY 1, 2021 - JUNE 30, 2022)	\$52,926
YEAR 3 (JULY 1, 2022 - JUNE 30, 2023)	\$54,514
YEAR 4 (JULY 1, 2023 - JUNE 30, 2024)	\$56,149
YEAR 5 (JULY 1, 2024 - JUNE 30, 2025)	\$57,833

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY COUNCIL:

Authorize the Town Administrator to sign an updated inter-municipal agreement with the Town of Auburn, NH for Fire and EMS Dispatching Services from FY 2021 thru FY 2025.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

See attached Resolution #2020-030



RESOLUTION

Number 2020-030

To Amend the Terms of Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of
Auburn to Supply Dispatch Services

WHEREAS, Section 5.1 of the Town Charter designates the Town Council as the governing and legislative body of the Town, and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has maintained a lengthy relationship with the Town of Auburn by providing EMS and Fire Dispatch services; and

WHEREAS, the current agreement to provide Dispatch services agreement was to expire June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, both communities benefit from the continuation of this relationship;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED IN COUNCIL that the Town Administrator is hereby authorized to execute an amended Intermunicipal Agreement, in accordance with RSA 53-A, between the Towns of Derry and Auburn to continue providing Fire/EMS Dispatch Services through June 30, 2025.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

Adopted: June 2, 2020

Attest:

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Charles Foote, Council Chair

Date: _____

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Daniel Healey, Town Clerk

Date: _____