

**RESOLUTION 2010-73**

9-29-10

**RESOLUTION BY THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND HEALTH COMMITTEE  
AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF STURTEVANT TO ENTER INTO  
AGREEMENTS WITH RACINE COUNTY AND OTHER MUNICIPALITIES  
WITHIN THE COUNTY FOR CONSOLIDATED DISPATCH OF LAW  
ENFORCEMENT, FIRE, AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, Sturtevant as well as Racine County and other municipalities within it have long recognized that consolidation of dispatch services can produce significant public safety and fiscal benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, since late 2009, elected officials, senior administrators, and the heads of public safety agencies of the county, the Villages of Caledonia, Mount Pleasant, and Sturtevant, the City of Racine have held discussions regarding consolidation of dispatch services; and

**WHEREAS**, such discussions have produced agreement, and subject to approval by each jurisdiction's legislative body, of a mechanism for consolidating dispatch services for all law enforcement, fire, and EMS services in Racine County, except the City of Burlington, as well as a mechanism for allocating the costs of such consolidation; and

**WHEREAS**, consolidating the dispatch of virtually all law enforcement, fire, and EMS services in the county, and implementing such consolidation through an equitable cost allocation arrangement, will mark a major milestone in inter-governmental cooperation in Racine County and will enhance public safety, improve coordination of emergency response, maximize efficient use of public resources, and produce long-term savings for taxpayers.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Village Board of the Village of Sturtevant, Racine County, Wisconsin does hereby resolve that the Village is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with Racine County, the City of Racine, the Village of Caledonia and the Village of Mt. Pleasant for the purpose of maximizing consolidation of dispatch services in Racine County;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Village Board of the Village of Sturtevant that consolidated dispatch services shall be provided under the terms and conditions as set forth in Exhibit A which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the Village Board of the Village of Sturtevant that the Village President and the Village Clerk are authorized to execute any contracts, agreements or other documents necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution.

Adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Sturtevant, Racine County, Wisconsin, this 5<sup>TH</sup> day of October, 2010.

Village of Sturtevant

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Steven Jansen, President

Attest \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary A. Cole, Village Clerk

**CONSOLIDATED DISPATCH FRAMEWORK**

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- 1.** COUNTY shall provide all necessary staff, equipment and supplies to provide dispatch services for police, fire and EMS rescue including 24 hours per day seven days per week 365 days per year to and for **CITY, STURTEVANT, CALEDONIA** and **MT. PLEASANT**. All dispatch personnel shall be employees of **COUNTY**. The dispatch operation shall be under the command of the **COUNTY** through a civilian department head who shall report to the Racine County Executive. The **CENTER** shall answer and dispatch all 9-1-1 calls and emergency calls for service.
- 2.** There shall be one dispatch center which shall be located at the existing County dispatch center located at STH 20 at Ives Grove. The cold back up dispatch center shall be located at the existing City of Racine dispatch center at 730 Washington Ave.
- 3.** Currently employed full-time dispatch personnel of **CALEDONIA, MT. PLEASANT AND CITY** shall be given preference for the open positions( either dispatchers or other dispatch personnel) by the **COUNTY**. **COUNTY** agrees that, except for the “director” position, it will not hire any employees for dispatch operations outside of the pool of former **CALEDONIA, MT. PLEASANT AND CITY** dispatch personnel as long as there are any qualified former **CALEDONIA, MT. PLEASANT AND CITY** dispatch personnel who are willing to take the position. Said former **CALEDONIA, MT. PLEASANT AND CITY** employees shall be required to apply for said jobs with the **COUNTY**.
- 4.** Effective with the **DATE OF CONSOLIDATION**, the initial staffing of the Consolidated Dispatch Department shall be: 51 including the director position.

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5. **CITY, STURTEVANT, CALEDONIA** and **MT. PLEASANT** shall pay **COUNTY** the sum of \$2,366,048 for the year 2011 and shall pay \$2,548,906 per year in years 2012 -2020. The payments shall be payable in quarterly payments due on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January, April , July and October of each year. Commencing in the year 2021, the yearly payment shall be reduced 10% per year ( \$254,890) from the previous year.

6. **COUNTY** shall have the sole power and authority to make all hiring, firing, discipline, promotion and other related personnel decisions in regard to dispatch employees.

That a Dispatch Operations Board (hereinafter referred to as “**OPERATIONS BOARD**”) shall be established and shall consist of the Racine Sheriff, and representatives of the municipalities served by consolidated dispatch. The Sturtevant Police Chief will have a permanent seat on the Operations Board. Each member of the **OPERATIONS BOARD** shall have an equal vote. The **OPERATIONS BOARD** shall have overall authority over the operations, policies and procedures of the dispatch center.

7. The target date for the **COUNTY** shall begin providing dispatch services to **CITY, MT. PLEASANT, STURTEVANT and CALEDONIA**, pursuant to this contract on January 1, 2011 but it is likely that operations will need to be phased in over time. The following phase in schedule shall be generally followed by the parties:

- A. January 1, 2011- **COUNTY** hires dispatch personnel
- B. March 1, 2011- **COUNTY** dispatches for **CALEDONIA**
- C. July 1, 2011- **COUNTY** dispatches for **MOUNT PLEASANT /STURTEVANT**
- D. October1, 2011- **COUNTY** dispatches for **CITY**

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8. The payment of \$2,366,048 to **COUNTY** for joint dispatch services in year one shall be made by the parties to this agreement based on the formula set forth below:

City of Racine: 55 % (\$1,301,326)

Village of Mt. Pleasant: 22% (\$520,531)

Village of Caledonia: 19% (\$449,549)

Village of Sturtevant: 4% (\$94,642)

The formula is based on a composite of population, number of households and assessed values of the respective municipalities. The **CITY'S** percentage is based on including fire dispatch for the Villages of Wind Point, North Bay and Elmwood Park as part of its base.

The percentages set forth above shall not change during the life of this agreement.

The payment of \$2,548,906 to **COUNTY** for joint dispatch services in years two through ten shall be made by the parties to this agreement based on the formula and set forth below:

City of Racine: 55 % (\$1,401,899)

Village of Mt. Pleasant: 22% (\$560,759)

Village of Caledonia: 19% (\$484,292)

Village of Sturtevant: 4% (\$101,956)

After year ten the above payments shall each be reduced by 10%. The payment from the municipalities and to the County pursuant to the Dispatch Services Agreement shall be reduced each year by \$254,890 in Years 11 through 20 of the Dispatch Services Agreement. The payment due from each municipality shall be reduced each year by the following amounts in Years 11 through 20 of the Dispatch Services Agreement:

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City of Racine:	\$140,190
Village of Mt. Pleasant:	\$ 56,080
Village of Caledonia:	\$ 48,420
Village of Sturtevant:	\$ 10,200

TRANSITION PAYMENTS

During the transition period, the transition costs shall be jointly shared by the parties to this agreement based on the percentages in the formula stated above. Total transition costs shall not exceed \$444,864 per year. The transition period shall be years 2011 and 2012.

**STURTEVANT** shall receive no transition payments. **CITY, CALEDONIA AND MT. PLEASANT** shall receive transition payments (credits) from the other municipalities based on the number of dispatch personnel that are hired by **COUNTY** from each municipality and the obligation to pay certain severance or make whole costs to dispatch personnel that who are affected by the implementation of joint dispatch.

It is understood that the actual transition costs will not be known until the implementation of joint dispatch takes place. The maximum transition costs for year one shall be \$376,899 and for each municipality the maximum shall be:

City of Racine:	\$207,294
Village of Mt. Pleasant:	\$82,918
Village of Caledonia:	\$71,611
Village of Sturtevant:	\$15,076

The maximum transition costs for year two shall be \$198,461 and the maximum for each municipality shall be:

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City of Racine:	\$109,154
Village of Mt. Pleasant:	\$43,661
Village of Caledonia:	\$37,708
Village of Sturtevant:	\$7,938

Transition payments (credits) will be awarded for the amounts paid by a municipality for severance to an employee ( adversely affected by the implementation of joint dispatch) who applies but is not hired as a non-probationary employee by the county. Payments (credits) will also be awarded for make whole wages paid by the municipality to former employees hired by the county, but paid at a rate less than their 2010 ending wage rate and for legacy dispatchers.

Transition payments shall be determined based on a review by the administrators of the four municipalities for years 2011 and 2012.

If agreement can not reach by the required date, the administrators, by majority vote, shall select an arbitrator to make a binding, final decision. There shall be no appeal of the arbitrator's decision. The arbitrator shall not award costs in excess of the maximum transition costs in any year. The cost of the arbitrator shall be borne by the municipalities pursuant to the formula set forth above.

**STURTEVANT MAXIMUM COSTS**

**YEAR 1**

Payment to County- \$94,642

Transition Costs -\$15,076

**Total -\$109,718**

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Plus paying for ½ year of operating existing dispatch center with reduced staff costs and  
½ year of stand alone records.

**YEAR 2**

Payment to County- \$101,956

Transition Costs -\$7,938

**Total- \$109,894**

Plus stand alone records operation

**YEAR 3**

Payment to County - \$101,956

**Total Costs- \$101,956**

Plus stand alone records operation