

PASSED: February 8, 2021
BY: Conway

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-3

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE CRUISERS

WHEREAS, the Police Department of the Village of Amberley plays a vital role in ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of the Village's residents and visitors;

WHEREAS, several of the Department's police cruisers are approaching 100,000 miles, which will see a significant increase in the maintenance cost associated with those vehicles due to their 24-hour, heavy duty use;

WHEREAS, police cruisers typically reach the end of their useful life at 100,000 miles and the costs of repairs to brakes, cooling systems, electrical systems, suspension, and drivetrains increase significantly;

WHEREAS, the Police Department's maintenance expenses for its fleet exceeded what was budgeted for 2020;

WHEREAS, the purchase of two new police vehicles will reduce these maintenance costs because the vehicles will be under warranty and will only incur basic, routine maintenance costs. Further, the new police cruisers sought to be purchased are all-wheel drive, which greatly assists officers and personnel in reaching the scene of accidents or emergencies in inclement weather.

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has awarded the contract for the 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe model police vehicles to Chevrolet of Aurora at a contract price of \$38,750 and the contract for the 2021 Ford Explorer model police vehicles to Larkin Greenwood Ford at a contract price of \$33,475. Further, the State purchasing schedule is very cost effective and ensures the timely delivery of the vehicle;

WHEREAS, it will also be necessary to equip the new police cruisers with additional equipment to render them ready for emergency response use, including video camera systems and graphics identifying the vehicle as a Village Police vehicle. In the past, the Village has used Parr Public Safety Equipment (formerly Camp Safety Equipment), WatchGuard Video, and Performance Graphics to perform these improvements and these companies have provided quality services at competitive pricing. The estimated cost for the installation of this additional equipment in the new cruiser will be up to \$10,000.

WHEREAS, the Police and Fire Committee met to discuss the purchase and outfitting of two new police vehicles on and recommends the purchase and outfitting of two new police vehicles as described above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Council of Amberley Village, State of Ohio, six (6) members elected thereto concurring:

SECTION 1: That the Village Manager be, and hereby is, authorized and directed by the Village to enter into all necessary contracts with Chevrolet of Aurora, Larkin Greenwood Ford, Parr Public Safety Equipment, WatchGuard Video, and Performance Graphics for the purchase of a 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe model police vehicle for the amount of \$38,750, the purchase of 2021 Ford Explorer model police vehicle, and the outfitting of those vehicles with safety and emergency equipment at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 per vehicle.

SECTION 2: This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest date permitted by law.

Passed this 8th day of February, 2021.

Mayor Thomas C. Muething

Attest:

Tammy Reasoner, Clerk of Council

Resolution Vote:

Moved: Conway Second: Warren

I, Clerk of Council of Amberley Village, Ohio, certify that on the ____ day of February, 2021, the foregoing Resolution was published pursuant to Article IX of the Home Rule Charter by posting true copies of said Resolution at all of the places of public notice as designated by Sec. 31.40(B), Code of Ordinances.

Tammy Reasoner, Clerk of Council