

**VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 14, SERIES OF 2019**

**A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING OUTAGAMIE COUNTY OF THE VILLAGE OF LITTLE CHUTE'S INTENT ON TAKING OWNERSHIP OF THE COUNTY OUTDOOR WARNING SYSTEM.**

**WHEREAS**, in early 2018, Outagamie County approached municipalities in the county to discuss transferring maintenance, ownership, and replacement as of 1/1/2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Outagamie County has adopted County Board Resolution 21-2018-2019 outlining the position of turning over these essential emergency management functions to local municipalities and the county has asked each municipality to identify the future of each local outdoor warning system; and

**WHEREAS**, there is no one medium of communication that can protect all residents all the time, outdoor warning sirens have historically been the most cost effective and could easily be coupled with the other means of communication to create a more robust and effective system; and

**WHEREAS**, utilizing technology and weather radios are great supplemental tools, the sirens are a vital component for some of our county's most vulnerable residents, particularly in light of the fact that the county and local municipalities have been making investments in outdoor recreational amenities that will draw diverse populations from across the region; and

**WHEREAS**, communities throughout the Midwest continue to rely and invest in sirens as one type of tool in enabling public agencies to notify large segments of the public during times of inclement weather, including larger metro areas like Dane County, WI and Nashville, TN; and

**WHEREAS**, the costs to operate, maintain, and acquire sirens, when averaged over the lifecycle, is less than \$2,000 per warning siren annually, and

**WHEREAS**, the decision to have 21 municipalities in Outagamie County individually determine if they should utilize a county wide system is an ineffective and inefficient policy that could have severe ramifications for all county residents and visitors to our communities.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village Board of Trustees that the for the safety considerations of our residents and visitors to our community, the Village of Little Chute will take ownership of the Outdoor Warning System located at Village Hall in Little Chute.

Introduced, approved and adopted: June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

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By:

  
Mike Vanden Berg, Village President

Attest:

  
Laurie Decker, Village Clerk