



## Administrative Assistant to the Select Board

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### Public Safety Budget 2024/25

I am pleased to present the proposed public safety budget for FY 24/25. Most of the budget is the fire department – that's a separate document from the Lamoine VFD. This will address the remaining portions of the public safety budget.

**Ambulance** – We maintain a continuing contract with Northern Light Medical Transport. The proposed line is based on a 3% increase from the actual contract price of the current fiscal year and is a \$500 increase.

**Dispatching** – The fire department is dispatched by the Hancock County Regional Communications Center (RCC) which charges the town a fee based on population. The proposed \$4,800 budget is unchanged from the current fiscal year, but the actual cost is expected to rise to close to that.

**Animal Control** – After a lot of work with other towns and the Hancock County Administrator, we are utilizing the services of a county Animal Control Officer, and it's working out very well. We provide a base amount annually, plus a quarterly payment based on the actual service provided. This guarantees us a response, and the cost is relatively reasonable. The proposed budget is the same as the current fiscal year. We'll have a better idea of the actual cost once we get a year under our belt.

The overall budget (including the fire department) is proposed to increase by \$1,150, or 1.01%.

Respectfully Submitted,

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