Carver Center Board of Directors
Meeting of June 5, 2024

Request for approval of one-time expense to improve Carver Center's IT infrastructure.

Background
Carver Center is transitioning to a new IT firm, Right Click Solutions, that was recommended to us by former board member, Rich Lawrence.

We have a proposal from Right Click to make system improvements that will cost $18,624.85. Since this is an unbudgeted FY24 capital expense; and will cost more than $10,000, Board approval is required to proceed.

Here's an explanation of the need for the work:

The current Netgear equipment is aging and no longer supported under a valid license. The switches also do not have enough capacity to accommodate any growth. There is also a need for additional Wireless Access Point locations for adequate coverage. The new WiFi equipment and network switches will allow for higher performance, more coverage and increased security. We are also recommending the replacement of the Barracuda Firewall with our recommended firewall solution (Sonicwall). The current Barracuda appliance was inherited from Lighthouse and Coretelligent does not have an active subscription for the device. It's outdated and not providing the optimal security as well as network performance. The project also includes a much needed and overdue cleanup of the network rack.

A copy of the quote is attached.