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I attended a meeting for the Consensus info at the Dewitt Library in February.

It does seem to make sense to consolidate some services and there are merits for getting the best prices for the various operations and services that are similar.

Per the Consensus presentation, the only way to do this is to revamp the whole County government. The presenters indicated that they had no concrete or specific plan.

Is there any other way the towns-villages-etc. could get better pricing for needs, share services, without doing over the entire County government and keeping their autonomy?

We are already sharing services with the City, Towns and Villages, through inter-municipal agreements and other ways, for example City-County Planning Department, plowing of roads, purchasing of gasoline, Information Technology services such as Peoplesoft, our Economic Development Department shares office space with City employees to avoid duplication of services, just to name a few.

It should also be noted that municipalities can make purchases off of State bids.