

Meeting Name: Town Council – Regular Meeting

Meeting Date: August 28, 2024

Prepared By: Chief Brian J. Smith

Item Title: Police Department K9 Donation

DISCUSSION:

The Police Department has received a donation offer of \$ 10,000.00 to \$12,000.00 for the purchase of a Department K9 in memory of Lew Wheeler. This donation offer has been presented to Chief Smith by The Hometown Foundation.

The Department has an Officer who is interested in working as a K9 Handler.

The Police Department will utilize this dog for controlled substance detection and search and rescue work.

The breed of dog will be a more community friendly type animal, such as a Labrador or German Short-Haired Pointer breed, both of which are commonly utilized by Law Enforcement for these objectives.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommend approving this donation.