



Police Department

DATE: December 30, 2019

FROM: Dave Draovitch, Chief of Police *dd*

ITEM: Permission to Participate in Solicitation of Donations for Regional K9 Training.

REQUEST

The Bismarck Police Department requests Authorization for the K9 Supervisor, Sgt. Lyle Sinclair, to participate in the solicitation of donations to help fund high-level K9 training opportunities locally.

Please place this item on the 1/14/2020 City Commission meeting agenda.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

I am requesting the Board's permission for BPD K9 Supervisor, Sgt. Lyle Sinclair, to assist in soliciting donations to support our regional National Police Canine Association (NPCA), a 501c3 non-profit organization (he is an active member), in bringing high-level K9 training to the Bismarck area. This would not only serve BPD K9 teams, but also the K9 teams statewide. The NPCA North Central Regional Director will be sending the attached letter out for donations and I would recommend Sgt. Sinclair be allowed to attach his letter (attached) to show local (statewide) companies that BPD supports NPCA in their endeavor to raise monies within ND to bring high-level K9 training to ND to benefit ND K9 teams. The Commission approved this request in January 2019 as well. There will be a public demonstration on August 1, 2020. Demonstrations in previous years have been very well supported by the public.

RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION

Grant permission to solicit donations.

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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Dear Sir or Ma'am,

I am Sgt Lyle Sinclair of the Bismarck Police Department. My duties include being the Bismarck Police Department K9 Supervisor. As the K9 Supervisor I am responsible to make sure that the K9 teams are being trained to the best of their abilities, (dog and handler).

To do this we (handlers in North Dakota) started to host a seminar in Bismarck each year. We bring in out of state instructors to teach new ideas and tactics to make us the best we can be. To help offset the cost of this training we ask your help with a tax deductible donation to the Nation Police Canine Association. Either a cash donation or a product to be raffled off at the Iron Dog Competition would be greatly appreciated.

Three of the handlers who attended last year were also contestants on A&E's America's Top Dog Show.

https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=521236355095744&external_log_id=d413f97c82134cfb5fc39a423113f8c5&q=americas%20top%20dog

This year our Iron Dog Challenge will be August 1. For more information check us out at

<https://www.facebook.com/Midwestern-K9-Training-and-Trials-254664518391982/>

I would like to thank you for time and consideration on this topic. Choosing to donate or not will not affect our professional relationship. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

If you want to donate online the link is http://www.npcastore.com/North-Dakota-Seminar-Donation_c33.htm

Respectfully

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