



# Gaston County

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Board of Commissioners  
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## Police Department

### Board Action

File #: 23-387

Commissioner Brown - Police Department - To Accept Donation from Lake Wylie Marine Commission for the Purpose of Purchasing New Sonar Unit for the Marine Enforcement Unit in the Amount of \$2,050

#### STAFF CONTACT

S. M. Zill - Gaston County Police Department - 704-866-3321

#### BUDGET IMPACT

No additional County funds.

#### BUDGET ORDINANCE IMPACT

Increase department revenues by \$2,050 and appropriate \$2,050 into Furn/Equip <5K account.

#### BACKGROUND

The Gaston County Police Department received a donation from the Lake Wylie Marine Commission in the amount of \$2,050. The donation was made for the purpose of purchasing a new sonar unit for the Marine Enforcement Unit.

Gaston County Police plan to purchase a Lowrance HDS-9 PRO model sonar. This sonar is a side scan, multi-image sonar with high resolution. The new sonar will be used on the Work Skiff patrol boat which is the department's primary boat for Lake Wylie. Sonar is used by the Marine Enforcement Unit to locate objects under water such as vehicles, bodies, or other items of interest in the furtherance of law enforcement related investigations.

The Gaston County Police Department has operated a lake patrol boat on Lake Wylie and Mountain Island Lake since 2003 for the protection of our county waterways.

#### POLICY IMPACT

N/A

#### ATTACHMENTS

Budget Change Request (BCR); Memo

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I, Donna S. Buff, Clerk to the County Commission, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of action taken by the Board of Commissioners as follows:

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## GASTON COUNTY BUDGET CHANGE REQUEST (BCR)

TO: Dr. Kim S. Eagle COUNTY MANAGER

FROM: GPD-000 County Police  
 Dept. Code Department Name  
S. M. Zill 08/02/2023  
 Department Director Date

**REQUEST TYPE:**

- Line-Item Transfer Within Department & Fund
  Line-Item Transfer Between Funds\*  
 Project Transfer Within Department & Fund
  Additional Appropriation of Funds\*  
 Line-Item Transfer Between Departments
 \* Requires resolution by the Board of Commissioners

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**JUSTIFICATION FOR REQUEST:**

The Gaston County Police Department received a donation in the amount of \$2,050 from the Lake Wylle Marine Commission. This donation is to be used toward purchasing a new sonar (Lowrance HDS-9 PRO) for the Marine Enforcement Unit. The department has operated a lake patrol boat on Lake Wylle and Mountain Island since 2003. This sonar is used for locating objects in the water such as vehicles, bodies, or other items of interest in the furtherance of law enforcement related investigations.

\*\* Decreases in expenditures and increases in revenue accounts require brackets. Increases in expenditures and decreases in revenue do not require brackets. Please note that transfers between funds require inter-fund transfer accounts.



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Stephen M. Zill  
Chief of Police

Sergeant J. E. Knupp  
Marine Enforcement Unit

July 31, 2023

*Approved  
S/MC Zill  
7-31-2023*

To: The Gaston County Board of Commissioners

From: Sgt. J. E. Knupp

Ref: New Sonar

On June 26, 2023 I requested funds from the Lake Wylie Marine Commission to purchase a new side scan sonar unit for the Gaston County Police Work Skiff patrol boat. This vessel is the department's primary patrol boat for Lake Wylie and is currently in need of an update to the sonar, which is ten years old.

The sonar I requested was a Lowrance HDS-9 PRO. This sonar is a side scan, multi-image sonar with very high resolution. The Marine Enforcement Unit uses the sonar to locate objects under the water such as vehicles, bodies or other items of interest in the furtherance of law enforcement related investigations.

After requesting the funds, the commissioners who were present unanimously agreed to fund the cost of the new sonar unit in the amount of \$2050.00.

I am requesting approval from the Gaston County Board of Commissioners to accept the funds from the Lake Wylie Marine Commission and then purchase the new sonar.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sgt. J. E. Knupp