

RESOLUTION TITLE: SURPLUS AND DISPOSITION OF MALINOIS K-9

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute 160A-266 (C) dictates the procedure for disposal of surplus property; and,

WHEREAS, The Gaston County Police Department has a nine (9) year old male Malinois K-9 by the name of Larco that is failing to perform his duties as a member of the K-9 team in handler protection, building searches, criminal apprehension, narcotics detection, and tracking; and,

WHEREAS, K-9 Larco has been examined and treated for reoccurring limping and lameness in his neck and shoulders by a veterinarian licensed by the state of North Carolina. K-9 Larco is unable to perform the duties required such as tracking, handler protection/apprehension, building searches, etc. due to the age and loss of stamina. Captain W.P. Downey, K-9 Unit Commander, advises that he feels the safety of the K-9 and its handler is becoming an issue. Captain Downey recommends that K-9 Larco be retired at this point.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Gaston County Board of Commissioners that:

- 1. This nine (9) year old Malinois K-9 be declared as surplus and removed from Gaston County's inventory.
- The Gaston County Manager be authorized to dispose of this K-9 according to North Carolina General Statute 160A-266 (C), and make this K-9 available for private sale to K-9 handler Officer M. R. Harris, who will be responsible for all further medical and housing expenses once Larco is retired.

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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:

A=AYE. N=NAY. AB=ABSENT. ABS=ABSTAIN. U=UNANIMOUS