

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

HENDERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: March 23, 2005

SUBJECT: Henderson County Sheriff's Department/Town of Mills
River Contract

ATTACHMENTS: Memo from Captain Rick Davis

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

Attached is a memo from Captain Rick Davis concerning a contract between the Sheriff's Department and the Town of Mills River. As the Board is probably aware, the Town of Mills River is interested in entering into a contract with the Sheriff's Department to provide law enforcement services within its municipal limits. The Town has agreed to pay all costs (personnel, training, and equipment) associated with one full-time patrol officer. The Town is interested in entering into a three- year contract with the Sheriff's Department.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION/ACTION REQUIRED:

County Staff recommends that the Board: 1) establish a new deputy position within the Sheriff's Department to serve as the Town of Mills River's patrol officer and 2) authorize the Sheriff to enter into a three-year contract with the Town of Mills River to provide law enforcement services through one patrol officer with the understanding that the Town of Mills River will pay the County for all costs (personnel, training, and equipment) associated with the patrol officer.

Memorandum

To: Justin Hembree, Assistant County Manager

From: Captain Rick Davis, Sheriff's Office Support Services Div.

Date: 4 March 2005

Re: Mills River Contract Deputy

As you may know, on 24 February 2005 the Mills River Town Council unanimously approved a measure which would lead the contracting & hiring of a Sheriff's Deputy Corporal.

The town's objective is to provide additional services in some of the following areas:

- Special Patrol (Security analysis, residential & commercial patrols)
- School visits (Assist w/DARE, traffic control, etc.)
- Crime Prevention (Neighborhood watch programs, homeowner's meetings, etc.)
- Town Council meetings (Quarterly reports to council, public hearings, etc.)
- Emergency Services aid (Assistance at fire & EMS calls)

All direct costs will be financed by the Town of Mills River. This includes salary & benefits, fully equipped leased vehicle, all equipment for an officer and training.

Pending the Board of Commissioner's approval, the Sheriff's Office and the Town of Mills River would sign a three year contract. This contract mirrors those we currently have in place with various agencies.

I respectfully request that the Sheriff's Office be placed on Board of Commissioner's agenda for 23 March 2005.