

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

**HENDERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE: February 5, 2018

SUBJECT: Transfer of Ownership—Canine Officer Bella of the Henderson County Sheriff’s Office

PRESENTER: Sheriff Charles McDonald

ATTACHMENT(S): Yes
1. Transfer of Ownership Agreement

SUMMARY OF REQUEST:

The Henderson County Sheriff’s Office requests that the ownership of Canine Officer Bella be transferred to Deputy Robert Pace as Canine Officer Bella is no longer able to perform her duties. A tentative agreement between the parties has been reached to effectuate the transfer that holds Henderson County harmless for any expense or responsibility.

Canine Officer Bella has served the Henderson County Sheriff’s Office, and has significantly contributed to the resolution of numerous cases. Canine Officer Bella has spent her life serving our community and agency. The Henderson County Sheriff’s Office thanks Canine Officer Bella for her many years of service.

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

The Board is requested to allow Sheriff Charles McDonald and the Henderson County Sheriff’s Office to transfer ownership of Canine Officer Bella to Deputy Robert Pace.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

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**TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP, RELATIONSHIP, INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMLESS
AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS; the Sheriff of Henderson County wishes to transfer ownership of Law Enforcement Canine BELLA to Deputy Robert Pace, and a tentative agreement has been reached between the parties to effectuate such transfer; and

WHEREAS; Deputy Robert Pace acknowledges that upon transfer of law enforcement canine BELLA to his ownership, the said canine shall become his individual property, for which he bears sole responsibility; and

WHEREAS; upon transfer of law enforcement canine BELLA, the Sheriff of Henderson County surrenders any interest in or responsibility whatsoever for the said canine; and

WHEREAS; subsequent to such transfer, the Sheriff of Henderson County cannot guarantee the behavioral propensities, discipline or safety of law enforcement canine BELLA, and accordingly makes no such guarantee, but is reasonable in depending on Deputy Robert Pace to exercise reasonable care in maintaining these characteristics of the said canine:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration for the transfer of ownership of the law-enforcement canine BELLA, Deputy Robert Pace, and his agents, agree to hold harmless, release, and indemnify the Sheriff of Henderson County, the County of Henderson, and any other person, firm or corporation charged or chargeable with responsibility or liability, and their agents, servants, successors, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, of and from any and all claims and actions relating to law enforcement canine BELLA, and accruing subsequent to the said transfer.

BY: _____

WITNESS my hand and seal this ____ day of _____, 2018

Carey M. Larned, Notary Public

My commission expires: ____/____/____