

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Sheriff Robert D. Spoden
INITIATED BY



Sgt. Wayne Hansen and Diane Michaelis
DRAFTED BY

Public Safety and Justice Committee
SUBMITTED BY

July 6, 2016
DATE DRAFTED

Approving Vendor for K9 Purchase

- 1 **WHEREAS**, choosing a reliable, knowledgeable, solid vendor, is key to a successful K9 program; and,
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- 3 **WHEREAS**, the purchase of a K9 is the purchase of both a professional service (training) and a purchase
- 4 of a good; and,
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- 6 **WHEREAS**, the County's Purchasing Ordinance states, "Purchases of professional services are exempt
- 7 from bidding requirements;" and,
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- 9 **WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office researched K9 vendors and their associated training programs; and,
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- 11 **WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office recommends purchasing two K9s from Haus Von Stolz Police K9
- 12 Kennel of Lomira, WI.
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- 14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
- 15 this 14th day of July, 2016 that a purchase order be issued to Haus Von Stolz Police K9
- 16 Kennel of Lomira, WI in the amount of \$6,000.00.

16-7A-072

Respectfully submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE:

Mary Beayer

Mary Beayer, Chair

This resolution authorizes the purchase of two K9s and related training. Funding will come from contributions.

Henry Brill

Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Sherry Oja

Sherry Oja
Finance Director

Terry Fell

Terry Fell

Brian Knudson

Brian Knudson

LEGAL NOTE:

The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats.

Phil Owens

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Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Josh Smith

Josh Smith
County Administrator

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Executive Summary

The purchase of a K9 is also a purchase of a professional service, and not just the purchase of goods. Section 2.219 of the County's Purchasing Ordinance deals with professional services. "Purchases of professional services are exempt from bidding requirements, but are subject to all other purchasing policies and procedures."

A professional service is defined as follows: "Professional Services - shall mean unique or technical functions performed by independent contractors whose primary occupation is the rendering of these services."

The following general information was excerpted from the web site PoliceOne.com. The article was written by Jerry Bradshaw.

Properly trained and deployed K9s have a direct impact on reducing crime in the areas where they are deployed. A dog's olfactory capability to locate hidden contraband, as well as dangerous hidden suspects, can save officer's time and exposure to potentially life threatening situations. A police dog isn't just a dog. The dog must have the temperament suitable for K9 work.

The first step in choosing a vendor is to check references. A good vendor is one who solves problems and stands behind their guarantees. Dogs are living beings, they sometimes get sick and die, and your vendor should have a solid health and trainability guarantee.

Normally, if a dog must be returned for either health or trainability, the vendor will replace the dog with another suitable prospect during the class. The keys to a solid vendor are honesty, integrity and service, both before and after the sale. Vendors should be knowledgeable about dogs whether they are selling green dogs, trained dogs, or both.

The Sheriff's Office took the following steps while searching for a K9 vendor. Sgt. Wayne Hansen, a former K9 handler, was responsible for researching vendors.

In searching for the proper vendor/training facility, it is important that the handler and dog have great compatibility. The vendor should employ different types of training methods that include passive alerts, using real drugs for controlled training, dog aggression, and obedience.

Sgt. Hansen spoke with Angie Fink, who is the owner and head trainer at Haus Von Stolz Police K9 Kennel in Lomira, Wisconsin. She sent him an invitation for an open house to come and look at her Kennel for any future business.

Angie Fink has trained Dex, our soon to be retired dog. She is familiar with Dex and his handler, Dep. Shawn Nolan. Angie Fink stands behind her dogs with a two year guarantee. She also has ongoing monthly training sessions for the handlers and dogs.

Haus Von Stolz Police K9 Kennel provides a health guarantee and a performance guarantee. The health guarantee covers any congenital illness or infirmity that will prevent the K9 from performing as a police dog for a full two years after the purchase of the dog. The performance guarantee covers the actual productivity of the trained K9.

Haus Von Stolz Police K9 Kennel is local, convenient, and cost effective. Dep. Nolan currently is helping owner, Angie Fink, with the training of officers and dogs. Dep. Nolan's knowledge will benefit the Rock County Sheriff's office in any future K9 trainings that we hold.

The cost for dog number one will be \$2,500. This price includes the dog and the training for Dep. Shawn Nolan. The cost for dog number two will be \$3,500. This price includes the dog and the five week training course for the second handler.

Sgt. Hansen believes that Haus Von Stolz Police K9 Kennel is the best vendor for us to purchase our dogs.