

VILLAGE OF CARROLLTON, OHIO  
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-06

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CANINE BAXTER TO CANINE OFFICER  
JASON NEIDERT, AND DECLARING IT AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, Officer Jason Neidert is leaving the Carrollton Police Department as the handler of Canine Baxter;

WHEREAS, there is a risk that Canine Baxter would not bond with a new handler replacing Officer Neidert as the Carrollton Police Department Canine Officer;

WHEREAS, there is a risk that with further efforts to legalize marijuana in Ohio Canine Baxter could become no longer serviceable for narcotic enforcement forcing the Police Department to retire the canine;

WHEREAS, three years of Canine Baxter's years of service are expended and the continued health of Canine Baxter is a risk factor;

WHEREAS, Officer Neidert and his family have a very strong bond with Canine Baxter, and he with them;

WHEREAS, Officer Neidert has proposed purchasing Canine Baxter from the Village of Carrollton Police Department; and

WHEREAS, Police Chief Tim Timberlake has recommended that the Village accept the offer of Officer Neidert to purchase Canine Baxter, which is believed to be a fair and reasonable offer, and to use the proceeds to purchase a new canine for the Village of Carrollton Police Department that will not be imprinted on marijuana and will have a full service-life to give to the department, which will be in the best interests of the department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF  
CARROLLTON, OHIO THAT:

1. Sale of Canine Baxter to his canine handler, Officer Jason Neidert, for the amount of \$4,000.00 is hereby approved, with Officer Neidert taking the canine "As Is" and assuming all risk and liability for the canine and signing a release therefore, with the Village of Carrollton retaining all equipment for the use of the replacement canine.
2. Clerk-Treasurer, Darla Tipton, is directed to allocate the proceeds to the appropriate line item of the Police Department budget for the purchase of a replacement canine.
3. The retirement of Canine Baxter is hereby accepted effective the last day of service of Officer Neidert and Canine Baxter, with commendation
4. This Ordinance is declared an emergency measure necessary to the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village of Carrollton to ensure the expedited approval of the sale to meet the time deadline of Officer Neidert and Canine Baxter's imminent retirement from service and to ensure the availability of the proceeds for the timely purchase and training of a replacement canine for the Police Department, and shall become effective at the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed this 14th day of March, 2022.

Attest:



Darla Tipton, Clerk-Treasurer  
Village of Carrollton, Ohio



William J. Stoneman, Mayor  
Village of Carrollton, Ohio

This Instrument Prepared by:  
Clark E. Battista, Village Solicitor  
Village of Carrollton, Ohio