



NIAGARA REGIONAL POLICE SERVICE

Police Services Board Report

PUBLIC AGENDA

Subject: Special Fund Donation for 2022 Motorcycle Ride for Dad

Report To: Chair and Members, Niagara Police Services Board

Report Date: 2022-04-09

Recommendation(s)

That the Niagara Police Services Board approve a Special Fund donation of \$500.00 for the 2022 Motorcycle Ride for Dad Campaign.

Key Facts

- The purpose of this report is to seek the Board's approval for a \$500.00 Special Fund donation to support the 2022 Motorcycle Ride for Dad Campaign
- Ride for Dad was formed in 2010 and is supported by the Niagara Regional Police Service, Niagara Parks Police, Niagara Regional Police Association, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and endorsed by the Canadian Police Association.
- Since the Ride's inception, the Niagara Chapter has raised over \$600,000 in funds.

Financial Considerations

The Board has a discretionary pool of funds, which it uses for grants and donations. Disbursements from the fund are in accordance with guidelines provided in the Police Services Act and Board By-law 376-2018, Special Fund Administration, Limitations and Guidelines. Section 132(2) of the Police Services Act establishes that the Board has the sole authority for spending the proceeds from the sale of property which lawfully comes into the possession of the police service. The Act stipulates that "the Chief of Police may cause the property to be sold, and the Board may use the proceeds for any purpose that it considers in the public interest." These funds do not form part of the police operating budget and are separate from the regional tax base.

Analysis

The Motorcycle Ride for Dad is an annual fundraiser where riders raise money through pledges for prostate cancer research. This large scale, one day event takes place in multiple cities across Canada, including the Niagara Region.

In Niagara, the day starts with a police escorted ride through the host community and then continues on to be a full day of riding. The event brings together motorcycle enthusiasts, members of the community, members of the local Police Services, and community leaders to raise funds to save men's lives by supporting research and raising public awareness of the disease.

The Motorcycle Ride for Dad was originally formed from Ottawa Police Service to support research and awareness of Prostate Cancer. The Niagara Chapter of the Motorcycle Ride for Dad was formed in 2010 and is supported by the Niagara Regional Police Service, Niagara Parks Police, Niagara Regional Police Association, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and endorsed by the Canadian Police Association.

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Sergeant Jeff Latham and Sergeant Mat King of the Niagara Regional Police Service chair the Niagara Chapter of the Motorcycle Ride for Dad.

Alternatives Reviewed

Approve a different amount as a donation.

Relationship to Police Service/Board Strategic Priorities

Not Applicable

Relevant Policy Considerations

PSB Bylaw 392-2021 Administration, Limitations and Guidelines of the Special Fund

Other Pertinent Reports

Minute No. 51.2019 – Special Fund Request – Rankin Cancer Run NRPS Cuffs on Cancer Team. Board authorized \$500 dollar donation.

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Appendices

Not applicable