



## STAFF REPORT

AGENDA ITEM #: 17-80  
COUNCIL MTG OF: Tuesday, June 6, 2017  
FROM: David Caron, Town Administrator  
OFFERED BY: Chief Edward B. Garone  
PREPARED BY: Capt. George Feole  
SUBJECT: Gift of Personal Locator Units for SafetyNet Tracking System

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**PURPOSE:** Consider accepting a gift of 10 personal locator units (PLU) for the SafetyNet Tracking System provided by the Derry Rotary Club valued at \$3,999.99

### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS:**

It is recommended that the Council accept this donation from the Derry Rotary Club.

**BACKGROUND:** Recently the police department purchased electronic tracking equipment that will assist in locating community members who become lost. The tracking equipment purchased by the department, requires that a personal locating unit be worn by the community member who may be at risk of wandering or becoming lost. The personal locating unit can be purchased from the company, SafetyNet Tracking Systems, individually for approximately \$500 each.

One goal of the program as developed by the police department is to provide community members with a PLU at no cost.

The Derry Rotary Club has generously purchased 10 PLU's to donate to the department to further our program goals. The Club was able to take advantage of a bulk purchase discount, obtaining the units for \$399.99 each

**DISCUSSION:** The Town Charter, specifically section 9.15 titled Grants, Gifts, specifies in part, *The Town Council may apply for, accept and expend monies received from the State, Federal, or other governmental units, or from private sources which become available during the fiscal year.* As a result the department is seeking Town Council approval to accept the gift of the PLU's supplied by the Derry Rotary Club.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** The acceptance of this gift will have a positive impact on the budget since the PLU's will not need to be purchased utilizing tax dollars. It is anticipated that any future search efforts for a person wearing one of the PLU's will be substantially reduced in time and scope, and will result in a substantial savings of manpower.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION BY COUNCIL:** It is recommended that the Town Council accept the gift of 10 personal locator units valued at \$3,999.99 from the Derry Rotary Club.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** See Resolution Number #2017-045

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