

The Regional Municipality of York Police Services Board

Public Board Meeting
June 22, 2022

Report of the Chief of Police

Donation of Found/Abandoned Bicycles

1. Recommendation

That the Board approve a one-time donation of ten found and abandoned bicycles to Camp Adventureland.

2. Summary

In accordance with the *Police Services Act*, section 132(2), the Chief of Police may cause property to be sold, and the Board may use the proceeds for any purpose that it considers in the public interest.

3. Background

On April 5, 2022, York Regional Police received a request from Adventureland Camp to donate found or abandoned bicycles to youth associated with their summer camp program. A large part of the summer program includes mountain biking and many youths learn to ride a bike for the first time while attending the camp. Camp Adventureland is a non-profit camp under Scouts Canada, and a registered Canadian charity (#107761694RR0028).

The bicycles would be offered on an “as-is” basis with no representation or warranties regarding condition. Any bicycles not selected by Camp Adventureland will be sent to auction, and the proceeds forwarded to the Board.

In previous years, the Board has approved several donations of items, such as bicycles to 360 Kids, and musical instruments to York Region and York Region Catholic School Boards.

4. Analysis

Over the past three years, 297 bicycles were sent to auction, netting \$19,458 in proceeds. The average auction bid received per bicycle was \$66.

5. Financial

There would be no financial expense incurred by donating the bicycles. However, the donation would result in a foregone revenue to the Board’s Property Actions account of \$655.

6. Conclusion

Given the need to enhance our long-standing partnerships, it is recommended that the Board approve the donation of ten bicycles from our current property inventory to Camp Adventureland.

Accessible formats or communication supports are available upon request.

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