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Haysville Police Department Welcomes Newest Officer

Haysville, KS – The Haysville Police Department (HPD) recently added a new officer to the force. Rox, a Belgium Malinois dog, was recently acquired and will be trained to assist officers of the department. The dog is approximately one and a half years old and was born in the Netherlands. Upon receiving a passport he was relocated to Pipe Creek, Texas where various military, police departments, and similar organizations purchase dogs for specialized training. The HPD had six dogs to choose from and determined that Rox was the best fit for their desired functions. Upon arrival in Haysville, Prichard Animal Clinic did an initial check up on the dog.

Rox will be paired with MPO Randy Nowak and both will complete ten weeks of training in Topeka. The training is conducted by the Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP) and will teach the dog to protect HPD Officers, detect narcotics, and track based on scent. Once the dog is trained to an officer they will become partners and the dog will be present at any incident the officer is called to.

The Haysville City Council approved to fund the implementation of a K-9 unit, with reimbursements for the program coming from the Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund. The program will expand the multitude of services the HPD offers to the citizens of Haysville. Police Chief Mike McElroy said, “This is another tool we can use to remove drugs from the community.”