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APPOINTMENT OF POLICE CHIEF

City Manager Greg Lewis today announces the appointment of Gary J. Smith to the position of police chief for the City of Lebanon, effective November 12, 2013.

Since March 2006, Smith had been deputy chief, and, upon the retirement of Police Chief James Alexander in February 2013, took on the role of interim police chief.

He has been with the Lebanon Police Department for close to 27 years, since 1987, when he joined as a patrolman. Through the years, Smith advanced through the ranks, holding positions as corporal, sergeant, lieutenant, and captain before being named deputy police chief. In his career, he has held all supervisory positions available within the department.

In March 2004, he was named to the Governor's Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence. Smith is a member of the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association and the New Hampshire Police Association.

"I'm proud to have Gary, with his years of leadership and excellence on the force, step in to this most important role for Lebanon," said City Manager Greg Lewis. "I thank him on behalf of the city for taking on the responsibilities of police chief."

Smith will begin his official duties with the City of Lebanon as police chief on November 12, 2013.