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Bryan Smith Appointed to be next Windham Chief of Police

The Town of Windham is pleased to announce that the Board of Selectmen has selected Bryan Smith as the next Chief of Police, effective February 1, 2026. Captain Smith will assume the role upon the retirement of Chief Mike Caron, who is retiring after 33 years of dedicated service to the Windham Police Department. Smith joined the Windham Police Department in 2005 and has built a distinguished career through continuous advancement, progressive leadership, and a strong commitment to professionalism, community engagement, and organizational excellence.

Mr. Smith currently serves as Support Services Captain, overseeing training, recruitment and hiring, facilities management, and fleet operations. He previously served as Operations Captain, leading Patrol, Detectives, School Resource Officers, and Internal Affairs. Throughout his career, Mr. Smith has directed departmental hiring and testing processes, developed and implemented comprehensive training programs that meet state and accreditation standards, and contributed to strategic planning, policy development, and budget oversight.

Mr. Smith has led major modernization and infrastructure initiatives, including facility security system upgrades, technology integration, and long-range capital improvement planning. In addition to his administrative leadership, he brings extensive operational experience, having worked his way through nearly every rank in the department. Mr. Smith earned a Master of Public Administration from the University of New Hampshire, a Bachelor of Arts in Criminal Justice from the University of Massachusetts–Lowell, and an Associate Degree in Criminal Justice from New Hampshire Technical Institute.

The Board of Selectmen is confident that Mr. Smith's deep institutional knowledge, proven leadership, and dedication to the Windham community will ensure a smooth transition and continued excellence within the Police Department. The Town of Windham congratulates Bryan Smith on his appointment and looks forward to his service as Chief of Police.