

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Roster as of December 31, 2006

Vincent Alfano, Chief of Police
Lieutenant Warren E. Nelson, 15 years of service
Sergeant Andrew Bagdonas, 21 years of service
Patrol Officer Michael W. Slepetz, 23 years of service
Patrol Officer Kimberly Denaro, 8 years of service
Patrol Officer Christopher Harrington, 4 years of service
Patrol Officer Jason Puri, 3 years of service
Patrol Officer Yvette Washington, 2 years of service
Patrol Officer Luke Hamburger, 1 ½ years of service

RESERVE PATROL OFFICERS

Hank Staake, 9 years of service
Harold Koumpis, 2 years of service
Tim Charland, 1 year of service
Daniel Keller, less than 1 year of service
Jacob Vicente, less than 1 year of service

SPECIAL OFFICERS

Special Officer Harold Brown, 39 years of service
Special Officer Curtis Plante, 22 years of service
Special Officer John Stephenson, 42 years of service

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Lorraine Kenney, 8 years of service

COMMUNICATIONS

Police Chief Vincent C. Alfano, Co-Director
Fire Chief John Stephenson, Co-Director
Dispatch Coordinator Donna L. Hathaway, 21 years of service
Dispatcher Edward Haimila, 8 years of service
Dispatcher Jaine Galeski, 2 years of service
Dispatcher Diane Coolidge, 8 years of service
Dispatcher MaryAnn McLaughlin, 11 years of service
Dispatcher Hank Staake, 9 years of service
Dispatcher Theodore Staake, 1 year of service
Dispatcher David Byler, 1 year of service

As I complete my first year as your Police Chief, I consider myself fortunate to have met, and come to know, so many of you as both friends and neighbors. I thank you all for your support and kindness. I have quickly learned, there really is a reason why people are so proud to call Bolton home. Not only are the landscape and architecture of our town both historic and striking, but there still exists here such a strong spirit of community and caring. I see it every day in the faces of the many volunteer Town committee members and officials I deal with, the Firefighters and Ambulance Squad members who unselfishly put their personal lives on hold, drop whatever they are doing no matter the hour, and

rush to the call to aid others. I also see this spirit of dedication and service in the efforts of our Town government employees, regardless of the department, whether their job description says Town Hall Administration, Police or Communications, DPW, or Public Safety, just to name a few. Every day, I see them carry out their duties with a sense of pride, dedication, and professionalism second to none. Our community is truly blessed with a responsible and efficient partnership, blending the volunteer, the career professional, and every citizen willing to “get involved” into a cohesive town government, truly responsive to the needs of those we serve.

As we review the events of this past year, The Department wishes to thank Interim Chief William George for his guidance, knowledge, and dedication. We also render special honors and recognition to our friends and longtime emergency services colleagues, retired Ambulance Service Directors “Gigi” Bonazzoli and Gregory Caless. I also wish to recognize the efforts of the Public Safety Building Task Force, whose talented volunteer members have worked tirelessly to someday realize the building of a new facility to replace the historic Houghton Building, which we have now far outgrown as Police Headquarters.

The past year was an active one, with 15,709 calls for service/entries in the Department Log. In addition, Department members continue to participate in the numerous community service related programs we sponsor or have initiated. This would include our Safety programs such as Child Car Seat Installation, Child Safety training programs in the schools, and Drunk Driving interdiction, to name a few. Officers and Communications staff members continue to work hand in hand with the Town’s Senior population and Senior Center, assisting the people who built Bolton, and helped it become the vibrant community we inherit today.

We have formed or strengthened several exciting partnerships this past year, and continue forward with them enthusiastically into the new year. With the hiring this past year of veteran Ambulance Squad and Fire Department member David Farrell as the Town’s first full time EMT/Firefighter, the bonds of fellowship between the Town’s three Public Safety Agencies, Police, Fire, and Ambulance, have grown even stronger. This spirit of mutual cooperation, sharing of resources, and open communication, facilitates the delivery of public safety services, rendering Bolton a safer and stronger community. As our children are our most precious resource, the Police Department has embarked on an extensive program of School Safety. With unprecedented cooperation between the Police Department and the School District, we have together initiated a wave of projects, reforms, and improvements all designed to render Bolton’s schools among the safest in the nation. Together, with a sharing of resources and open communication, we have, and continue to, review school security policies, physical plant upgrades, emergency response planning, staff training, and security awareness. We have conducted a number of joint training sessions with Teachers, Administrators, and Staff, to ensure that if an emergency does arise, it will be managed swiftly and effectively. Our strong, proactive, school security and

safety programs and training will help maintain the quality of student life that our community is known for.

Traffic safety is a concern that affects all of us. Bolton, despite its rural charm and character, is bisected by state highways that contribute to the number of motor vehicles that traverse our roadways daily. A significant amount of the Police Department's time and effort is spent on motor vehicle related matters, such as traffic enforcement and accidents. We work closely with the Town's Public Ways Safety Committee. The Department of Public Works, Federal and State agencies, and individual Bolton residents, review, modify, and upgrade our roadways and traffic safety issues. We encourage Bolton residents to contact us with their traffic safety concerns. Together, we can identify traffic safety issues, and work to resolve them.

We welcomed several new members to our department this past year. Reserve Officers Daniel Keller and Jacob Vicente come to us with a wealth of police and public safety experience. Officer Jason Puri graduated from the Police Academy, earning his class' Academic Achievement Award for the highest grade point average, and Officer Luke Hamburger was promoted from reserve status to a full-time officer position. Officer Kim Denaro was promoted to the position of Detective, and has already solved several high profile investigations. Dispatcher Dianne Coolidge has been promoted to a full-time position within the Communications Division. Former Officer William Dempsey has graduated from the Massachusetts State Police Academy, and has started his new position as a Massachusetts State Trooper. We thank him for his years of service, and wish him well in his new position.

In closing, I thank the members of the Bolton Police Department, both in the Police and Communications divisions, for their tireless efforts and dedication serving the citizens of Bolton. I am proud to serve with this outstanding group of true professionals. I can assure the citizens of Bolton that the men and women who serve you as Police Officers and Dispatchers are second to none in integrity and devotion to duty. I also thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, and the Advisory Committee for their support, expertise, and guidance. Most of all, I thank you, the citizens of Bolton, for the faith and trust you have placed in your Police Department. We pledge to uphold that trust, and continue to provide you with police services you can be proud of.

Financial Statement
July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006

Salaries	
Appropriated	\$ 81,100.00
Transfer	<u>\$ 42,000.00</u>
	\$123,100.00

Expended	<u>\$123,360.02</u>
Unexpended balance returned to general fund	\$ (260.02)

Wages W/Overtime

Appropriated	\$527,760.00
Transfer	<u>\$ 61,000.00</u>
	\$588,760.00
Expended	<u>\$544,682.58</u>
Unexpended balance returned to general fund	\$ 44,077.42

Expenses

Appropriated	\$104,776.00
Transfer	<u>\$ 9,000.00</u>
	\$113,776.00

Expended	Gasoline	\$27,425.58	
	Tires	4,630.88	
	Cruiser Repairs	6,355.06	
	Oil & Lube	1,908.00	
	Building	14,599.74	
	Supplies	6,274.74	
	Uniforms	10,035.60	
	Training	4,858.20	
	Misc.	4,594.49	
	Hired Services	2,300.00	
	Out of State Travel	1,476.48	
	Equipment	4,103.94	
	Cruiser	25,198.00	
			<u>\$113,760.71</u>
Unexpended balance returned to general fund			\$ 15.29

Offenses reported to FBI for Statistical purposes by year	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Rape (Forcible and statutory)	0	3
Forcible Sodomy	0	1
Aggravated assault (includes domestic A&B)	2	7
Simple assault	9	5
Intimidation (includes bomb threats)	0	9
Breaking and entering, vehicle, business or residential	12	14
Theft from building	14	23
Theft from motor vehicle	0	0
Theft of motor vehicle	4	1
Theft of motor vehicle parts/accessories	0	0
All other larceny	21	26
Stolen property offenses	2	1
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism of property	37	43
Drug/Narcotic violations	13	15
Drug/Equipment violations	3	1
Weapon Law violation	2	2
Disorderly conduct	5	3
Driving under the influence	28	19
Liquor law violations	20	6
Trespass	2	3
All other offenses	32	18
Traffic/Town Bylaw offenses	519	292
Counterfeiting/Forgery	6	8
Shoplifting	1	1
Embezzlement	5	2
False pretenses / swindle	3	8
Impersonation	1	0
Bad Checks	7	1

Response by Police by type of call	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Local ordinance/Bylaw violations	90	39
Missing persons	8	7
Disturbance	3	4
Domestic disturbances	10	13
Noise complaint	6	29
Suspicious activity	140	120
Suspicious person	24	20
Suspicious motor vehicle	91	86

Officer wanted	269	225
Burglar alarm	230	293
Lost/Found Property	52	63
Motor vehicle stops	2407	1960
Leaving the scene of an accident	4	1
Motor vehicle accidents – injury	44	35
Motor vehicle accidents – Property damage only	236	150
Disable motor vehicles	322	225
Parking violations	35	29
Court appearances	140	159

<u>Arrests and citations</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>
Arrests	60	34
	2 Juvenile	1 Juvenile
Motor vehicle citations	2077	1246



Police Department Open House
Bob MacGregor, Chief Alfano, Officer Chris Harrington, Dispatcher Rick Haimila