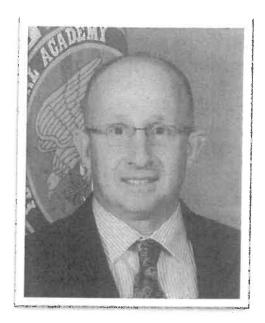
Town of Sabattus Hires New Police Chief



The Town of Sabattus and the Sabattus Police Department is excited to welcome Erik Baker as its new Chief of Police.

Chief Baker brings over 33 years of law enforcement experience of that 25 years has been with the Maine State Police. He will be retiring as a Lieutenant of Troop G at the end of the month, assuming the role of Chief of Police.

During this extensive career with the Maine State Police, he has held numerous positions from Patrol Trooper, Detective with the Major Crimes Unit, Sergeant in Internal Affairs, where he was promoted to Lieutenant of Internal Affairs.

Chief Baker was selected due to his strong leadership philosophy towards mentoring, teaching, motivating, and developing a cohesive team environment to fulfill the individual, agency, and community needs. Additionally, his management skills of conducting the organizational

assessment, strategic planning, and budgeting. More importantly, though, he has a proven record of being a problem solver, an out-of-the-box thinker, and has been able to comfortably deal with a variety of day-to-day difficulties. His experiences have ranged from dealing with critical incidents, community concerns, personnel issues, or budgetary crises.

Chief Baker also had other responsibilities while working with the Maine State Police. He was the Assistant Team Leader of the Tactical Team, assigned as Cadre a Maine Criminal Justice Academy. He was previously assigned to the Central Maine Violent Crimes Task Force and the Joint Terrorism Task Force.

In addition to the experience of working up the ranks from Trooper to Detective to supervisor, Chief Baker holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice from Elmira College and a graduate of the prestigious FBI National Academy in 2016.

As dedicated to creating strong bonds with the communities he serves and the officers he leads, the Chief is not without outside interests. He has a lifelong passion for competing in Ironman Triathlons and marathons.

The Town of Sabattus is honored to have Chief Baker as part of the community.