

Apex Selects Next Police Chief

After a nationwide search, John Letteney has been selected as the town's next Chief of Police. Letteney has over 30 years of law enforcement experience including the past seven as Police Chief of Southern Pines, NC. He replaces Chief Jack Lewis, who announced his retirement after a 37-year career in law enforcement.

Six finalists were selected from over 100 applications for an intensive multi-day assessment process where a team of law enforcement experts evaluated each candidate on a range of simulations and tests.

"Chief Letteney exhibited the characteristics that are essential in the police chief – experience, knowledge, expertise, and integrity," stated Town Manager Bruce Radford.

Letteney is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and holds a master's degree in public administration and a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He also is a Team Leader and Assessor for the national police accrediting agency CALEA; Apex is currently working toward CALEA accreditation.

"I am excited about joining the Town staff and becoming a part of the Apex community," stated Chief Letteney. "I will do my best to continue the tradition of Service, Integrity and Pride the Apex Police Department is known for and deliver professional services in the manner the citizens of Apex deserve and have come to expect."

Chief Letteney's swearing in ceremony will be held at 6:30 pm on December 18th, prior to the Town Council's regular meeting. A public reception will precede the ceremony from 4-6 pm, bidding farewell to Chief Lewis and welcoming Chief Letteney.

Apex Mayor Keith Weatherly commented, "Public safety is a top priority for Apex residents, and we anticipate a seamless transition in leadership that will continue to move our progressive department forward."