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VILLAGE BOARD APPROVES EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT FOR POLICE CHIEF

Antioch, IL, August 4, 2015– After a lengthy recruiting process, Mayor Lawrence M. Hanson has decided on his next appointment for the Police Chief in the Village of Antioch. Steven G. Huffman will succeed Craig Somerville as permanent chief. Mayor Hanson thanked Interim Chief John Laskowski for serving the department in that capacity this year.

“I cannot thank John enough for his service to the Antioch community. He has taken on additional responsibilities this year, and I look forward to his continued leadership in the department as Deputy Chief.”

Steven J. Huffman will take the reins in early September. His 22 years of experience serving the St. Charles Police Department with 6 years as Deputy Chief, made him the most qualified candidate for the job. His additional qualifications include a B.S. degree in Criminal Justice Administration, graduate from the Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command, hostage negotiator and master control tactics instructor.

“I am a strong advocate in the power of leadership through the building and nurturing of relationships, and believe that good leadership provides the energy necessary for continued development and growth. I look forward to the opportunity to serve the Village of Antioch and its citizens.”

Incoming Chief Huffman will take his official oath of office at the August 17, 2015 Village Board Meeting.

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