

The Village of Newark is pleased to announce that a contract has been finalized with the police union, represented by CSEA Local 859. Negotiations on a new contract were expected to begin in early 2020.

"Unfortunately, COVID happened and both sides agreed to delay the start of negotiations," said Newark Mayor Jonathan Taylor.

Negotiations eventually began on February 4, 2021 and continued until a tentative agreement was reached at a session on August 24, 2022. Last week the police union ratified the contract and yesterday the Newark Village Board officially ratified the six-year deal.

"We are pleased to have an agreement officially accepted by both parties. Now, with a new chief in place and a new contract, we can move forward and continue the good work our department does for years to come," added Taylor

Police Commissioner and Village Trustee Stuart Blodgett said, "I am glad that we were able to negotiate a good contract that met the needs of our police department as well as the taxpayers."