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## PRESS RELEASE

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The Newark Police Department would like to announce their newest officer, David Sweeney. David is a lifelong resident of Palmyra and a 2015 Graduate of Pal-Mac School District. For the past two years, David has worked for the Town of Perinton Department of Public Works. While he felt a sense of satisfaction in serving the town's residents with the DPW, he said he sought out policing as a career because he wanted a profession that could make a positive difference in people's lives. As a proponent of community policing David should certainly be able to do that and will be a great asset to our Village Department.

David started the police academy May 10<sup>th</sup> in Rochester after successfully completing a rigorous hiring process. He will complete the academy in October where he'll then be put into a field training program with seasoned officers of the Newark PD to put the knowledge he gained in the academy into application on the street. Welcome to the NPD David!

Mayor Jonathan Taylor stated, "We are very pleased to have David join our team in the Village. With his strong sense of community, his desire to give back and to help those in need, he has everything we are looking for in a future officer in the Village of Newark."

Police Commissioner Stu Blodgett commented, "The Newark Police Department has a tremendous history and tradition here in the Village of Newark. With the hiring of Police Recruit David Sweeney, I am confident that the proud legacy of our department will continue on into the future. Policing is a noble profession, but not for everyone, especially today. Sweeney, who is new to policing and is now attending the Police Academy, has spoken of his desire to work in criminal justice and to improve the public perception of police. He humbly said he wants to serve and protect. I can't think of better candidate than Sweeney and I wish him only the best in his Newark Police Career."

