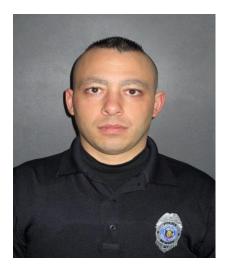
The Village of Newark and the Newark Police Department are proud to welcome two new members to the police department. By filling vacancies due to retirement, these experienced officers provide an influx of younger officers to the seasoned 16-member law enforcement agency.

Thomas Robertson, 29 years old: A lifelong resident of Wayne County, Tom has worked in various departments in the area as a part-time police officer since 2011, spending the past 3 years as a full-time member of the Wayne County Office of Sheriff as a Road Deputy. Chief Mark Thoms believes Tom will bring enthusiasm, integrity and a dedication to assisting all persons in the Newark community for years to come. Tom started his field training on April 24, 2019 and he looks forward to meeting the residents of Newark. Tom transferred to Newark Police Department for a hometown feel. He explained, "I enjoy community policing and believe it is a very important part of this job. The community and the police department need to have a positive relationship for us to do our job effectively. I also am looking forward to the additional training and advancement opportunities within the department."

Jacob Jackson, 24 years old: A lifelong resident of Wayne County, Jacob is a graduate of Finger Lakes Community College and St. John Fisher College. He began his career with the Wayne County Office of Sheriff as a Road Deputy in 2018. Chief Mark Thoms anticipates Jacob's outgoing personality, passion for helping others and commitment to the Newark community will bring an energetic connection to Village of Newark residents. Jacob is very excited that he has been given the opportunity to protect and serve the community of Newark. He commented, "I strived for the Newark Police Department because the department operates in a very professional and efficient way. Growing up in Wayne County, it allows me to work where I was raised and interact with those people that I know and others". Jacob started his field training on April 26, 2019 and eagerly awaits meeting everyone in Newark.

Newark Mayor Jonathan Taylor stated, "Public safety is paramount in any community. I am happy to have Jacob and Tom join our excellent Village Police Department and applaud their desire to become part of the fabric of our community. Their goals to serve our community will be a vital part of the continuance of a high level of public safety."

Newark Police Commissioner Stuart Blodgett added, "Newark is a great community, offering a tremendous quality of life. That quality of life is due in part to the work of our Newark Police Department. The addition of these officers will only further enhance our police department. I personally was impressed with both of these gentlemen's desire to work in small town community policing. They will be a great fit and I am glad to welcome them to our family."





Thomas Robertson

Jacob Jackson