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2006 has been a year of many changes for the Lyndonville Police Department. We have had a loss of an officer when Officer Bridget Tweedie relocated to the Thetford area. The Lyndonville Police Department wishes Officer Tweedie well in her future endeavors.

Following Officer Tweedie's departure, we first went to a two part-timer staffing, before finding Officer Hemond and settling back into our normal staffing. Since that time, a testing process was initiated and Officer Hemond has been offered the position, contingent on his successful completion of the academy.

Also in 2006, the Lyndonville Police Department added two more to our staff. Through Lyndon Institute, we first met Emily Hahr. Emily is now employed with the department, being responsible for the day to day cleaning of our new offices.

In may of 2006, we received a donation from the Connecticut State Police. The Connecticut State Police donated (6) six year old Savannah, a full blooded Bloodhound tracking dog to us.

Since that time, myself along with K-9's Ox and Savannah have assisted State Police in St. Johnsbury, Derby and Bradford, as well as the Hardwick Police Department, the Bradford Police Department and the Thetford Police Department, with tracking of persons and searching for evidence.

Throughout the year, our department has worked in conjunction with the Vermont State Police on several large cases within our area. I have attempted to instill in my department the importance of working well with other departments, as a combination of resources is a necessity in our small departments.

Lastly, I try to instill a good working relationship with the Public. Throughout the year, the public has assisted in many cases, assisting with information and resources that have brought a successful conclusion to many cases.

I would like to end by thanking the public for their support throughout the year, as without their assistance, our job would be that much more difficult.

Chief Jack T. Harris