

January 13, 2010

Board of Selectmen
Town Hall
P. O. Box 270
West Tisbury, Massachusetts 02575

Attention: Diane Powers, Chairperson

Honorable Board of Selectmen and Selectwomen:

January 3rd marked my 27th year working in law enforcement. I have served almost 16 years as your chief of police – this will always remain one of the most memorable times of my life. Looking back, Selectmen John Early, John Alley and Selectwoman Cynthia Mitchell granted me an amazing opportunity to move our police department forward. I feel that now is another time for a change and a time for someone else to take the reins - to have that same opportunity and to continue to move the West Tisbury Police Department forward.

I am very grateful to the Board of Selectmen throughout these many years for working closely with the police department on many projects and challenges the town has faced and dealt with in the best interests of the residents of West Tisbury. So it is with much regret, that I respectfully submit this letter as notice of my intention to retire. The date of my retirement will be some time late in March or early April.

I would like to acknowledge the many loyal and talented police officers that it has been my pleasure to work with throughout the years. I will miss the work that I have done for the town and for the Island. Please know that I will work diligently with you to assist the town in making the transition to a new chief as smooth as possible.

Thank you and best wishes in the future.

Sincerely,

Beth A. Toomey
Chief of Police

