

Monroe Police Department Media Release



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Two Officers Sworn In as One Retires

MONROE – On Tuesday, June 21, 2011, the Monroe Police Department celebrated the hiring of two officers at a swearing in ceremony that was performed by Judge Steve Clough in front of the City Council and Mayor Zimmerman.



Officer Reed Jones, who was hired as a lateral officer from King County, grew up in West Texas and later moved to Washington where he attended the University of Washington receiving a bachelor's degree in business finance. Officer Jones had been a deputy with the King County Sheriff's Office since April of 2009 and was laid off at the end of 2010.

The department was very fortunate to hire Officer Jones through the lateral testing process to fill a vacant; budgeted police officer position.



Also recognized is Officer Javier Patton who began his career with our department in December 2007 after serving with the King County Sheriff's Office. In September of 2010, he resigned his position in lieu of lay off to accept another law enforcement position. When a retirement occurred in the department in May, Officer Patton requested to be reinstated. Officer Patton is known for his high work ethic values and his

Spanish skills that he uses with the community and to assist his peers. He consistently proved himself to be a valuable asset to the department and has been recognized with multiple awards to include a life saving award in 2010. We are very fortunate and privileged to be able to bring Officer Patton back to fill this vacated officer position.



On May 6, 2011, Officer Sahlstrom retired from the Monroe Police Department after 20 years of service. He brought qualities of perseverance, passion, and dedication to the job, which was shown through his consistently high work performance as well as the various awards and accolades he received throughout his career. The City of Monroe is grateful for Officer Sahlstrom's years of service. He made Monroe a better place by keeping top quality law enforcement service as his consistent goal and he will be greatly missed.

For additional information on this press release, contact Administrative Director Debbie Willis.