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**Brookhaven to name police chief in April**

**Brookhaven, GA, March 27, 2013** – Ninety-eight law enforcement officers from around the nation have applied to be Brookhaven’s first police chief.

City leaders have spent the past few weeks reviewing the applications and interviewed the top nine. City Manager Marie L. Garrett is now conducting second interviews and hopes to identify a finalist by the second week in April.

“The safety of Brookhaven’s residents and businesses is our number one goal,” Garrett said. “This includes establishing Brookhaven’s own police department. That starts with selecting the best chief who can help us build a strong police department.”

The new chief will be tasked with establishing an organizational structure, staffing the department to best serve the city, developing policies and procedures and creating an annual budget, in addition to running daily operations. The new chief will determine how many officers are needed to protect and serve Brookhaven.

The city is looking for a candidate that has a background in community-oriented policing, 10-15 years in law enforcement and a bachelor’s degree.

Brookhaven currently has an intergovernmental agreement with DeKalb County to provide police services to the city until a chief is hired and the department is operating. The goal is to have Brookhaven officers on the road by the end of the summer.

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