



**AGREEMENT FOR  
ENHANCED POLICE SERVICES**

**THIS AGREEMENT**, made the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 2025, by and between

**THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA**, a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York, with offices located at 401 State Street, Hudson, New York 12534, hereinafter referred to as the “County”, party of the first part; and

**THE TOWN OF NEW LEBANON**, a municipal corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York with a mailing address of P.O. Box 247, New Lebanon, New York 12125, hereinafter referred to as the “Town”, party of the second part.

WITNESSETH

**WHEREAS**, the “Town” has determined that a need exists for a more consistent police presence in order to meet its general obligation to protect the safety, well being, and property of the inhabitants and visitors within its geographical boundary, and;

**WHEREAS**, each party hereto may provide police protection as a governmental function, and;

**WHEREAS**, The Columbia County Board of Supervisors has authorized the Sheriff, at his discretion and upon execution of a contract, to provide enhanced police protection to the local municipalities located within Columbia County so long as the County is reimbursed for 100% of the County’s cost for such service, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Town desires enhanced law enforcement services meaning a more constant and consistent presence of sworn Sheriff's Office personnel in the Town for the purpose of enforcing the NYS Penal Law, NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law, local laws, and insuring a higher quality of life.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promise contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

1. The Sheriff of Columbia County will provide the Town with enhanced police services as described above. The enhanced police protections will minimally consist of a patrol car with one or more deputies patrolling the Town and/or providing stationary service such as, for example, vehicle and traffic law enforcement.
2. The Town Supervisor and Sheriff shall meet from time to time, on reasonable notice to discuss the number of days, times, and hours of enhanced patrol needed to meet the needs of the Town. This understanding shall be initialed and dated by each party and attached as Schedule "A" to this agreement. The Town shall pay the actual hourly rate of the deputies assigned, including overtime if applicable, any additional costs of liability insurance, and a fee of 70 cents (\$.70) per mile of patrolling. For enhanced police protection, the Town will be charged a minimum of four (4) hours. In the event that the cost of providing these services increases, the Sheriff may unilaterally increase fees upon ten (10) days notice.
3. The Sheriff will consider the Supervisors opinions regarding policing in the Town, but the Sheriff shall have sole discretion on the manner in which the services are provided taking into account his professional opinion, best practices, and the implication of any collective bargaining agreement.
4. The County shall also provide the local justice court security during regularly, scheduled, sessions. The County shall be paid the actual hourly wages of the assigned deputies, and any added costs for liability insurance. For justice court security, the Town will be charged a minimum of three (3) hours.

5. Should an Emergency arise, at the sole discretion of the Sheriff, the enhanced patrols may be reassigned to another area of the County, but shall return as soon as practicable. The Town will not be responsible to make payment for the time the deputy or deputies are away on an emergency call.
6. The County currently maintains liability insurance, automobile insurance, and workers' compensation insurance. Likewise, the Town shall have liability insurance covering the activities contemplated under this agreement, and the underwriters shall have no rights of recovery or subrogation against the County of Columbia. Further, the Town shall hold harmless and indemnify the County, the Sheriff, and the Sheriff's deputies for any claims or torts arising out of the performance of this agreement.
7. The Town shall make payment on a monthly basis. The Sheriff shall submit the request for payment in the form required by the Town. The County may terminate services immediately upon the Town's failure to remit payment.
8. The agreement between the parties shall commence on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 and either party may cancel this agreement by giving the other party thirty (30) days written notice either by personal service, or certified mail, return receipt requested. Contract terminates on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the County of Columbia and the Town of New Lebanon have executed this Agreement as of the date(s) written below.

THE COUNTY OF COLUMBIA

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Matt B. Murell

Chairman of the Columbia County Board of Supervisors

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Donald J. Krapf

Columbia County Sheriff

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Tistrya Houghtling

New Lebanon Town Supervisor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

“ Schedule A ”

A meeting will be conducted to discuss the terms of the Enhanced Enforcement Patrol between the Columbia County Sheriff's Office and the Town of New Lebanon.

The agreement previously discussed and both parties agreed to the following terms: Deputy Sheriff's will be assigned to the New Lebanon Town Court for Court Security on the Second Thursday and Fourth Thursday of every month in the Town of New Lebanon.

\*\*Requests for extra patrols can be requested by the Supervisor to the Sheriff directly\*\*.

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Sheriff Donald J. Krapf  
Columbia County Sheriff

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Date

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Supervisor Tistrya Houghtling  
New Lebanon Town Supervisor

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Date