

# GBPD has two new commanders

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GREEN BAY – Following approval from the Green Bay Police and Fire Commission on March 19, Police Lieutenant Rick Belanger has been promoted to the Green Bay Police Department (GBPD) commander of the professional standards division, while Milwaukee Police Inspector Shannon Seymer-Tabaska joins the department as commander of the investigative division.

“Seymer-Tabaska brings with her 33 years of law enforcement experience to GBPD. Along with Inspector, she has been an MPD captain, lieutenant, sergeant, officer and police telecommunicator. Shannon has also held the position of victim-witness specialist with the Milwaukee County District Attorney’s Office,” the department stated in a release.

“She holds a master of science in addition to a bachelor of science in criminal justice from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. She is also a 268th session graduate of the FBI-National Academy in Quantico, Va., and a recipient of the FBI-LEEDA – Trilogay Award.

“Commander Seymer-Tabaska brings a wealth of experience and a demonstrated track record of strong leadership to her new role with the Green Bay Police Department. Throughout the selection process, I was struck by her commitment to community policing and the well-being of the officers and professional staff she serves with. We are excited to have her on the team,” said Green Bay Police Chief



Belanger



Seymer-Tabaska

“Through my 30-plus years of law enforcement service, I have learned that success is born out of the ability to lead, recognize and develop leadership in others so they may carry forward the law enforcement legacy. As Commander, my passion and ability to create leadership that is built on integrity, transparency, cooperation, collaboration and communication while being fair are investments that I can contribute to the Green Bay Police Department. I chose to be a servant leader, and I have proven throughout my career my reliability in deliverables, developing trust not only among those I lead but with those I serve,” Seymer-Tabaska stated.

Belanger has 25 years of experience in law enforcement and holds an associate of sciences in criminal justice from Fox Valley Technical College.

“He has been serving as an acting commander of the professional services division since November of 2023. Other ranks with GBPD include lieutenant, officer and dispatcher. Rick has also held a first responder role as a firefighter with Ashwaubenon Public

that include Leadership in Police Organizations, a sponsored program by the International Association of Chiefs of Police,” the release added.

“Commander Belanger will be responsible for leading our professional standards division, which is a critical function in the department. He has proven himself to be a highly ethical, experienced police leader in multiple divisions of our department. He possesses a great deal of experience and is well-respected both inside and outside the department,” Davis said. “I have been proudly serving the citizens of the city of Green Bay and Brown County since 1992, most of this time has been respectfully spent at the Green Bay Police Department. I have been honored to take a variety of positions within the agency, many of which have been in a leadership role. I believe that my style of leadership has set an incredible example for many, and I am excited to continue that journey as a commander,” Belanger stated.

A swearing in ceremony for Seymer-Tabaska and Belanger will be held in