

1853
Henry Wilson
1854
W.F. Sayward
1854
H.H. McNeal



1855-1856
E.S. Fowler

1857
Loren Hastings
1857
George Eby

1859-1860
Sam McCurdy



1861
John Tucker



1862
J.G. Ctinger

1862
E.L. Tibbals
1863-1864
William
Armstrong



1865-1866
John Woodley
1867-1870
David Littlefield



1871-1876
Van Bokkelen
1877-1883
Benjamin Miller



1884-1888
John Shochan
1889-1894
Richard Delanty

1895-1897
M.F. Hamilton



1898, 1903-1904
C.L. Intermola
1899-1902
W.C. Hammond



Principles of the Sheriff's Office

The Sheriff is dedicated to operating his office according to these principles.

For the following principles, reference to "the Sheriff" comprises the entirety of the Office of the Sheriff including commissioned deputies and staff:

The basic mission for which the Sheriff exists is to prevent crime and disorder.

The Sheriff should always direct his action strictly towards his functions, and never appear to usurp the powers of the judiciary.

The ability of the Sheriff to perform his duties is dependent upon the public approval of the Sheriff's actions.

The Sheriff must secure the willing co-operation of the public in voluntary observation of the law to be able to secure and maintain the respect of the public.



The Sheriff, at all times, should maintain a relationship with the public that gives reality to the historic tradition that the deputies are the public and the public are the deputies; the deputies being the only members of the public who are paid to give full-time attention to duties which are incumbent upon every citizen in the interests of community welfare and existence.

The degree of co-operation of the public that can be secured diminishes proportionately to the necessity of the use of physical force.

The Sheriff uses physical force to the extent necessary to secure observance of the law or to restore order only when the exercise of persuasion, advice, and warning is found to be insufficient.

The test of efficiency for the Sheriff is the absence of crime and disorder, not the visible evidence of action in dealing with it.

The Sheriff seeks and preserves public favor — not by catering to public opinion, but by constantly demonstrating absolute impartial service to the law.



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2014- present
Dave Stanko -36th Sheriff

1905-1908
Julius Macomber
1909-1911
John McInnes
1912-1916
J.A. McGuire
1917-1920
Martin Herstrom



1921-1926
S. Philp Chase
1927-1934
John Carroll



1935-1942
Fred Polk



1943-46,
1955-58
Miles Brown
1947-1954
Peter Naughton



1959-1978
Robert Hansen



1979-1986
Leland Smith



1987-1994
Melvin Mefford



1995-2002
Peter Piccini



2003-2009
Michael Brashfield