

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

This letter of understanding is established on March 1, 2013, between the Western Virginia Regional Jail, hereinafter referred to as WVRJ and the Roanoke County Police Department, hereinafter referred to as the Police Department, to wit:

WHEREAS both agencies are local elements of the criminal justice system of the Commonwealth of Virginia, authorized and duly established. The Western Virginia Regional Jail Authority and functions of WVRJ are established by the Code of Virginia. The establishment, organization and authority of the Police Department is set forth by the Code of Virginia and the Code of the County of Roanoke;

WHEREAS both agencies have faithfully served, in harmony and unison, the citizens of the County of Roanoke with regards to the needs of public safety and the fulfillment of all tasks pertinent to the administration of justice;

A. Be it recognized and accepted for the good of the citizenry the following conditions:

1. The Police Department is the primary law enforcement agency within the jurisdiction of the County of Roanoke, accountable for official response to, management of, and investigation of criminal incidents, traffic crash incidents, and any other occurrence that disturbs the peace and tranquility of the County or threatens the freedom and liberty of its people therein.
2. Located in Roanoke County, WVRJ holds pre and post-trial inmates for the counties of Roanoke, Montgomery, Franklin, and the City of Salem, and is responsible for the handling, management and transportation of prisoners and/or persons in custody pursuant to court order.

B. It is agreed upon, recognized and/or understood that:

1. The Police Department will assert and have jurisdiction in responding to complaints of criminal activity that may be received by or reported to members of the WVRJ.
2. Sworn personnel of the WVRJ possess the power of arrest and the duty to affect an arrest, under limited circumstances, within one mile of the WVRJ premises and in direct connection to criminal activity committed at WVRJ. In the event that an arrest is made prior to the arrival of police, the arresting officer will be assisted by police officers in processing of the arrested individual. Effective July 1, 2013, all sworn officers of WVRJ will have statutory authority to serve arrest warrants on WVRJ inmates housed at the WVRJ facility.
3. The Police Department, by virtue of incumbent responsibilities and training of its personnel, responds to and investigates all traffic crashes. The Police Department

maintains traffic accident and enforcement data. In the event that WVRJ officers are first on the scene of a traffic crash, they are authorized to render assistance as appropriate.

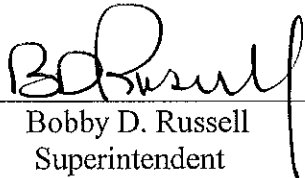
4. In the event of civil unrest, disorder, massive labor strike or other unusual occurrence, to include natural or man-made disasters, members of WVRJ, upon request of the Chief or his/her designee will be made available to respond to assist the Police Department in any appropriate capacity.

5. In the event of a sexual abuse or rape allegation in the WVRJ or during a WVRJ transport, as defined by the Prison Rape Elimination Act, the WVRJ will work with the Police Department to investigate the allegation. The Police Department will be responsible for conducting an investigation into the complaint, collection of evidence and obtaining criminal charges, if applicable. The WVRJ will be responsible for preserving any evidence and for protecting the crime scene prior to the Police Department's arrival. In addition, the WVRJ will provide reports and other records that may assist in their investigation of the alleged incident.

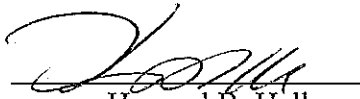
This agreement shall be reviewed on as a needed basis by the executive officers of the Police Department and the WVRJ.

The content of this agreement is subject to revision for just cause or necessity based upon the agreement of all parties concerned.


Executed this 1st day of March, 2013 by the following officials:


Bobby D. Russell
Superintendent

3/17/13
Date


Howard B. Hall
Chief of Police

3/12/13
Date


David F. Cox
Deputy Superintendent

3-18-13
Date