MEET THE PEAKS ISLAND OFFICERS

OFFICER LES SMITH
Hired by PPD:1998
Assigned to Peaks Island: 2019

Prior to his service to the Portland Police Department, Les worked as a South Portland Officer for 10 years. Officer Smith was a K9 Officer for both Portland and South Portland. Les has worked as a patrol officer on Peaks Island during his career, ending his last time on the Island in 2010. He is a volunteer at both the Barbara Bush Cancer Unit at Maine Medical Center and at the Special Olymipics. Les teaches self-defense for the department, and is president of the PBA union. In his free time, Officer Smith enjoys biking, hiking, working out and spending time with his family.

OFFICER PATRICK CONNOLLY
Hired by PPD: 2004
Assigned to Peaks Island: 2005

Pat attended North Essex Community College in California, before transferring to North Eastern in Boston, where he received his bachelors in Criminal Justice. Prior to joining the Portland Police Department, Pat worked in the Massachusetts National Guard. Officer Connolly has worked on Peaks Island before, in 2007 and has been stationed on the island now since 2010.

OFFICER DAN ROSE
Hired by PPD: 1997
Assigned to Peaks Island: 2003

Dan served the City of Portland as a fire alarm tech prior to joining the Portland Police Department in 1997. In 1999, he joined the community policing unit and in 2001 temporarily transferred to Peaks Island. Officer Rose found his calling on the Island, and was assigned as a permanent officer in 2003.

OFFICER ROB LAUTERBACH
Hired by PPD: 2004
Assigned to Peaks Island: 2009

Rob is the Portland Police Department's Senior Lead Officer for Peaks Island. He is originally from Brooklyn, New York and served as a police officer in NYC for three and a half years before moving to Maine. Rob is an EMT and is fire trained, as it is required to work on the island. Rob has also received training in a wide range of areas such as plain clothes training, interview and interrogations, crisis intervention training and anti-terrorism training.