

Waterville Police Department

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Released by, Waterville Police Chief Joseph Massey

On September 25, 2015, the Waterville Police Department concluded its four week investigation into allegations that Waterville High School Principal Donald Reiter had asked a Waterville High School student to have sex with him. The investigative reports were forwarded to the Kennebec County District Attorney's Office for review and a determination if criminal charges should be brought against Principal Reiter.

On November 12, 2015, Waterville Detective Sgt. Bill Bonney was attending a Conference on Human Trafficking in Southern Maine and was approached by a former student of Mascenic Regional High School in New Ipswich, New Hampshire, who told him that Don Reiter had engaged in inappropriate behavior with some of her friends.

The following is a timeline of the investigation conducted by Sergeant Bonney based on this new information:

11/12/25 - Chief Joseph Massey authorizes Sgt. Bonney to conduct an investigation into this new information to determine if it is credible.

11/12/15 - Det. Sgt. Bonney is contacted by two former students of Mascenic Regional High School who alleged or was familiar with inappropriate behavior by Donald Reiter, including conduct that was substantially similar to that alleged by the Waterville victim.

11/12/15 - Det. Sgt. Bonney speaks with a student who alleges that she had an inappropriate relationship with Donald Reiter and that student's mother later called to confirm the relationship based on letters written to the then 17 year old female student.

11/13/15 - Det.Sgt. Bonney travelled to New Ipswich New Hampshire to further the investigation, which had now been re-opened due to new information.

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- 11/13/15 Det. Sgt. Bonney spoke with staff from Mascenic Regional High School, the mother of the afore mentioned 17 year old, and a former student who disclosed an inappropriate relationship with Mr. Reiter, which culminated in a sexual relationship during her senior year or just after graduation.
- 11/14/15 Det. Sgt. Bonney receives 147 pages of letters purportedly written by Reiter based on Reiter's name on the address line to the aforementioned 17 year old female student of Mascenic Regional High School. The letters frequently reference his love her, their "taboo" relationship, a kiss that they shared, and other very personal comments.
- 11/14/15 Det. Sgt. Bonney learns that the Morning Sentinel is also receiving tips regarding this case and Reiter's alleged inappropriate behavior.
- 11/15/15 Chief Massey is told by Det. Sgt. Bonney that the Waterville Morning Sentinel sent him an email asking if he was aware of the allegations against Reiter from former New Hampshire students.
- 11/15/15 Chief Massey contacts the Waterville Morning Sentinel confirming that we are aware and looking into the allegations from former NH students against Reiter.
- 11/16/15 Det. Sgt. Bonney was contacted by the New Ipswich, New Hampshire Police Chief requesting we forward our reports to his office for review and possible action by his department.
- 11/16/15 Det. Sgt. Bonney informs Chief Massey there are still two former Mascenic Regional High School students that he needs to interview regarding the allegations against Reiter.

Waterville Police Chief Joseph Massey is asking that anyone with information regarding this investigation to contact Det. Sgt. Bonney at 207 680-4700.

The Waterville Police Department is located at 10 Colby Street. The Department is comprised of 31 sworn law enforcement officers, 8 dispatchers and two civilian employees who provide law enforcement services to the City of Waterville's 16,000 residents. The City of Waterville is 14 square miles and is a service center to central Maine, featuring two college campuses, two hospitals, and numerous shopping areas. Find us on the web at www.watervillepolice.org Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/waterville.police