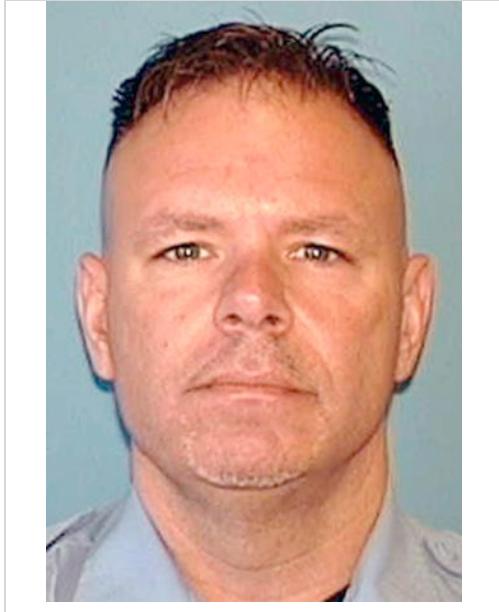


Tennis announces candidacy for Cass County Sheriff



Wayne Tennis

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Walker Police Chief Wayne "Bubba" Tennis has announced his candidacy for Cass County Sheriff.

Cass County Sheriff Randy Fisher announced earlier this month that he will not run for re-election this fall. Fisher's term of office concludes at the end of 2010.

Tennis has 21 years of law enforcement experience with 20 serving the city of Walker and the last four as Walker's Chief of Police.

Tennis graduated in 1986 from Park High School in Cottage Grove, Minn. He attended North Dakota State School of Science and Brainerd Community College, where he received an associate degree. He then attended the Police Academy at Hibbing Community College to complete his skills training.

In 1995 Tennis attended the 13-week K-9 training course in Minneapolis. This is where he received his K-9 partner Yari Brin. In 2007 he also attended Chief Law Enforcement Officer Academy.

Tennis received the Walker Community Champion award in 2002. In 2005 he received the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Achievement Award for the Great Lakes Region. From May through June 2005, he was the only officer in northern Minnesota to receive this award.

Tennis' wife, Mary, has been employed since 1988 with the Cass County Sheriff's Office and is currently the jail program coordinator. Tennis has one daughter, Samantha Tennis, and two

stepchildren, Garrett and Kayla Anderson.

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