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The Hardwick Police Department continues to strive to be an effective, fair, and impartial law enforcement entity for the Hardwick and Greensboro communities.

We have identified and continue to address the ongoing opiate problems facing our small communities. Last September we initiated a drug sweep within our communities and some surrounding communities. With the assistance of local and federal law enforcement we were able to make multiple arrests with ties to the existing opiate addiction problem. Our work did not stop there and has continued and will continue. The opiate problem has led to many smaller crimes as well, including many thefts that can be tied back to the addiction problem.

Covid has produced many challenges for law enforcement; we have tried to do our part to remain active in our community and at the same time keeping safety in mind for our officers who are working through this state of emergency.

We have also encountered struggles as an anti-law enforcement sentiment has been felt throughout this country and some locally. We have reviewed policy and continue to review policies through these tough times. We strive to train to be the most effective through good training and solid policies.

We are working collaboratively with the Hardwick and Greensboro select boards to introduce a zoom meeting to allow the communities to meet as many of the officers as possible and ask questions of the police department members to continue the trust of our community members and make us stronger partners.

I would like to give the members a chance to ask a few questions within our time limitations.

Sincerely,

Chief Aaron Cochran