

July 24, 2007 - SHERIFF'S OFFICE EARNS ACCREDITATION

Sheriff Jack Weisenburger accepts "Certificate of Accreditation" from Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission.



Pictured from L to R; Mr. Gary Dillon, Program Manager, Virginia Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission; Sergeant Ben Rea, Team Leader, Henry County Virginia Sheriff's Office; Chief Gary Roche, Board Member, Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission; Sheriff Weisenburger; Sheriff Thomas Jones, President, Virginia Sheriffs Association, Charlotte County Virginia Sheriffs Office; The Honorable Jim Rector, Mayor, Bristol Virginia

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The city's Sheriff's Office received its certificate of accreditation from the Virginia Law Enforcement Professional Standards Commission. The department, one of 64 accredited statewide, had to meet 180 standards for professionalism, efficiency and job performance, said Gary Dillon, manager of the accreditation center. Sheriff Jack Weisenburger accepted the certificate, as about 40 of his employees stood and applauded. "It's hard work to attain accreditation," Weisenburger said. "It's not me. It's these men and women who made this happen, and I thank you for your dedication and commitment." Mayor Jim Rector called the accreditation a "great honor" for the city and the department.