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Dexter, MO - The Dexter Board of Aldermen met in closed executive session on Monday, April 12, 2021 appointing Hank Trout as Dexter's Police Chief.

Trevor Pulley retired as police chief to be named Dexter's City Administrator also during the meeting.

Trout graduated the Missouri Law Enforcement Academy in 1988 with over 33 years of law enforcement. He joined the Army and was stationed at Ft. Leonardwood where he was a military police officer.

He is married to wife, Renee of 36 years and they have two children in college, Nicholas and Megan.

In 2006 Trout became the commander of the Stoddard County Major Case Squad.

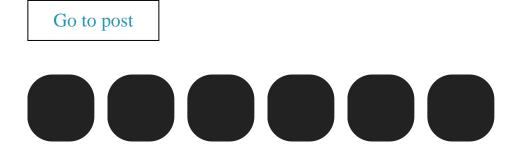
"I am thankful for this opportunity to become the Chief of Police at Dexter," commented Trout. "I am very appreciative of Trevor who had the confidence in my abilities to handle this job and to recommend me for this position."

"I know I have some big shoes to fill and it is strange as a new chief I don't have an agenda on the first day," continued Trout. "That's because Trevor left the department in such great shape. We have outstanding officers, dispatchers, and staff."

"I have worked in law enforcement for 33 years," stated Trout. "I want to continue that leadership that Trevor instilled and continue to serve the community as well."

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Dexter, MO - The Dexter Board of Aldermen met in closed executive session on Monday, April 12, 2021. The results of that meeting were Mr. Trevor Pulley was appointed as City Administrator.

In addition Mr. Pulley retired as Dexter Police Chief around 6:40 p.m. on Monday, after serving nearly 33 years in law enforcement, the last three as Dexter's police chief.

Mr. Hank Trout was appointed as the new police chief.

Pulley is married to Starla Pulley and has three children, Caleb Pulley, Cameron Pulley, and Taylor Wady. He and his wife will celebrate 30 years of marriage this year!

He graduated from the Missouri Law Enforcement Academy in June 1989 and has served with the Dexter Police Department for 20 years. On April 6, 2021 he celebrated his 3rd anniversary as Dexter's Police Chief.

"There were three things I wanted to accomplish once I became police chief," stated Pulley. "I have accomplishment them all. they include a new state of the art dispatch area, a new evidence room, and a new training room/emergency response/center building. I am pretty pleased with all three."

Pulley replaced long time city administrator Mark Stidham, who passed from Covid-19 in December 2020.

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Dexter, MO - Local author will hold her first book signing on April 15th at The Gallery in downtown Dexter.

Belinda Worley will be on hand to sign her book, "An Autism Journey of Hope", from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Worley is a mother, speech language pathologist, and business owner of Bootheel Pediatric Therapy LLC.

She has been in practice since 2000 providing speech and language therapy to children with communication delays. She travels all across the United States as an autism awareness public speaker training educators, teachers, therapists and parents on strategies for working with children with an autism diagnosis.

Her hobbies include reading, spending time on the lake, volunteer work, traveling and being with family and friends.

Belinda has earned her undergraduate and Masters Degree from Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky.

Belinda and her husband Ben live in Dexter, Missouri with their daughter Emma Kate. You can contact Belinda Worley at **bptkids@yahoo.com.**

"It takes unimaginable strength to persist and overcome all that a diagnosis of autism entails. From the day of diagnosis, what you had expected will forever be different. Once you accept the diagnosis, you will be able to make plans for the years ahead. At times it will be a struggle and a fight for acceptance, services and growth. The hard work you pour into your child now will pay off in a big way in the future. The child diagnosed at a young age is not the end result of your purpose or journey. Your daily prayers will be answered bigger than you can imagine. God made both you and your child with autism for an exact purpose. Thank you for joining me on an autism journey of HOPE where you will learn you are braver and blessed beyond measure because of a child with autism."

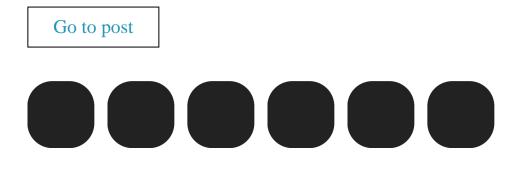
Refreshments will be served during the event.

The Gallery is located at 31 E. Stoddard Street.

If you would like to order her book click HERE. She will also have books available for sale at her signing.

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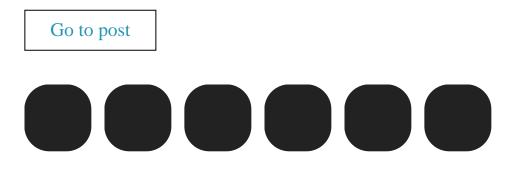
QC Supply Ribbon Cutting

Dexter, MO - QC Supply celebrated the opening of its Dexter location at 1201 County Road 431 off the north Outer Road.

Pictured from left in front are Dexter Chamber Economic Coordinator Ed Dust, Dexter Chamber Executive Director Alisha Trammell, Tiffany Wright, Stan Joyner QC Supply, Matt Harris QC Supply, Eric Owens QC Supply, Kenan Couch QC Supply, Jason Swift QC Supply, Chamber President Cecil Haley and Dustin Mayer.

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It was one year ago my beloved husband Mathew Greer saw the face of God. In some ways it feels like yesterday at the same time so long ago.

Matt and I met as teenagers in the eighth grade at Dexter Middle School, in Dexter Missouri. We were on opposite teams for a wiffle ball game. I'll never forget rounding

3rd base, heading for home, when I landed in the arms of a tall, handsome catcher. It was love at first sight! We instantly became best friends, and over the years, soulmates. I am so honored and blessed to have had Matt by my side for the past 44 years. Our life together was a beautiful partnership and magical. We had three beautiful children and he enjoyed everything about being a father. We also had two beautiful additions, a son-in-law and daughter-in-law to our family which Matt embraced with love.

Matt was a special gift from God, a light in our lives and the rock of our family. He was a devoted loving husband, proud father, son, brother, son-in-law, brother-in law, uncle, friend, coach, community leader, mentor, and servant of God. He was a true family man and the spiritual leader of our family.

We have all been blessed to have had him in our lives. I miss the little things about Matt. For instance, when the kids were young, he would leave inspirational quotes on their bedroom doors each morning. As they grew older, he would send us a passage of scripture and his thoughts for the day! He was a special gift. We miss him and love him so much. Our faith in God has guided us through these difficult times.

We want to thank our family and friends for the love, prayers, and support during the past year. We will honor Matt with a "Celebration of His Life" ceremony in the near future. ~Lisa, Gabrielle,Matthew, Marcus, Michael and Megan

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, lean not on your understanding , In all your ways acknowledge him and he shall direct your path. Proverbs 3 5-6.

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." ~Joshua 1:9

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