

In the 2018 sheriffs' race, I ran against Steve Spodyak and 4 other candidates. During our interactions at debates and meetings, I had the opportunity to talk with Steve and listen to his answers to citizens. I was very impressed with Steve and thought he represented very well and was very forthcoming and informative with his answers. When I won the election, I had no doubt as to whom I wanted my undersheriff to be, Steve Spodyak.

During the next 7 years as the Park County Undersheriff, Steve has been a very valuable asset to myself and the Park County Sheriff's Office. He has been responsible for assisting in the planning, administration, and daily operations of the office. He acts as the primary assistant to myself, managing personnel, budgets, and operational policies, and assumes all duties of the Office of the Sheriff in my absence to include the fire warden. He participates in budget preparation, monitoring expenditures, and forecasting revenue for the department.

He is overall in charge of the patrol division, investigation division, jail and animal control and often assumes the role of a road supervisor when needed. He also oversees staff, handling disciplinary actions, and advising on promotions.

Undersheriff Spodyak is well versed in all aspects of the sheriff's office and is very well respected and liked by all the employees of the Park County Sheriff's Office. He now has 22 years of law enforcement and a master's certificate in Criminal Justice. In 2024 he was selected, through a vigorous process, to attend the very prestigious FBI National Academy, completing it in March of 2025.

He is a very respected member of the Bailey community, a devoted family man and heavily involved in coaching sports at the Platte Canyon school.

As a 43 year law enforcement veteran, I fully endorse Steve Spodyak for the position of Sheriff of Park County and would encourage all citizens to vote for Steve in the upcoming election.

Thomas McGraw

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Sheriff, Park County Colorado