



Mayoral Recognition

On the morning of August 27, 2014, a bicyclist was struck by a van as the vehicle was exiting the Elm Plaza Shopping Center and attempting to make a left hand turn onto Upper Main Street. The bicyclist, 28 year old Matthew Grover, was knocked to the ground and run over by the van. Grover was dragged approximately 20-30 feet before the van stopped, pinning Grover between the surface of the road and the vehicle's undercarriage. The weight of the van compressed Grover's upper body making it extremely difficult for him to breathe and causing severe burns. Grover suffered other life threatening injuries including a nearly severed arm at the shoulder and broken bones.

Fortunately, there were three (3) City police officers nearby who rushed to the scene and immediately began providing assistance in the busy intersection. They found a way to jack up the van to remove Mr. Grover. They provided encouragement and support to let him know that help was on the way.

In light of these heroic actions, I, Mayor Karen Heck, on behalf of the City Council and the residents of Waterville, do hereby recognize:

**Detective Dave Caron
Detective Josh Woods and
School Resource Officer Alan Main**

who put their own lives at risk and, by doing so,
surely saved the life of the injured man.

In Witness Whereof, I do hereby set my hand and seal this 21st day of October, 2014.

Karen Heck, Mayor

