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Answers from Sheriff Joey Terrell

How will the sheriff's office proceed with filling the chief deputy position?

"We won't have a chief deputy," said Sheriff Joey Terrell. "We will continue with our current rank structure. Maj. Les Hendrix will continue in his position. Capt. Greg Chastain will continue to serve as Uniform Patrol commander, and Capt. Bryan Wright is over our Civil Division, and Lt. Heidi Lass will continue over our Criminal Investigations Division."

Will the school resource officers become employees of the school system?

"The SROs will continue to be my employees," Terrell said. "The Habersham County Sheriff's Office and Habersham County Board of Education are partners, have been partners, and will continue to be partners."

How is the progress toward filling the open SRO positions? The Habersham County Sheriff's Office currently has seven of the 14 allotted positions filled, with another potentially coming aboard soon.