

Chief's Monthly Report – December 2025

Message from the Chief – December 2025

December is a month that naturally brings reflection, gratitude, and togetherness, and Belle Isle continues to show why it is such a special place to live and serve. Throughout the holiday season, our community came together in ways that reflect the character of this city, neighbors looking out for one another, families filling our streets and waterways with activity, and residents supporting local events that bring people together. From decorated boats on Lake Conway to children lining the streets waiting for Santa, December reminded us that Belle Isle is more than a city, it is a community that values connection and tradition.

While the holidays are a joyful time, they are also one of the busiest periods of the year for public safety. Our officers remained actively engaged throughout the month, balancing community events with increased traffic enforcement, patrol activity, and calls for service. Whether working holiday details, responding to emergencies, or conducting proactive enforcement, the Belle Isle Police Department remained focused on keeping residents and visitors safe while allowing everyone to enjoy the season responsibly.

As we close out the year, I want to thank our residents for their continued support, cooperation, and trust. Your partnership plays a vital role in public safety, and it does not go unnoticed. On behalf of the entire Belle Isle Police Department, I wish everyone a safe, healthy, and happy New Year. We look forward to continuing to serve this community with professionalism, dedication, and care in the year ahead.

Monthly Activity Summary

Boating Citations:	0
Involuntary Exam:	3
Parking Citations	0
Traffic Warnings	86
Traffic Citations	263
Trespass Reports	3
Supplemental Reports	19
Field Information Report	0
Crash Reports	5
Calls for Service	432

Arrests and Notable Incidents

December 1, 2025 – Arrest for Habitual Traffic Violator

On December 1, 2025, at approximately 3:30 p.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer conducted a traffic stop within the city limits for an expired vehicle registration. During the stop, the driver was identified and a records check revealed the individual was designated as a habitual traffic offender with an active driver license revocation. Officers confirmed the driver was operating a motor vehicle on a Florida roadway in violation of state law. The driver was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Orange County Jail. A uniform traffic citation was also issued for the expired registration.

December 1, 2025 – Medical Emergency / Life-Saving Measures

On December 1, 2025, at approximately 11:32 a.m., Belle Isle Police Department units responded to the intersection of Hansel Avenue and Oak Ridge Road regarding an unresponsive individual inside a vehicle stopped in the roadway. Upon arrival, officers determined the individual was experiencing a critical medical emergency. Because the vehicle was locked, officers forced entry to gain access and immediately removed the individual from the vehicle. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation was initiated prior to the arrival of Orange County Fire Rescue, who continued life-saving efforts. Due to the vehicle obstructing the roadway, it was towed from the scene.

December 3, 2025 – Missing Juvenile Recovery

On December 3, 2025, a Belle Isle Police Department officer made contact with two individuals at the police department in reference to the recovery of a reported missing juvenile. The juvenile had previously been reported missing through another jurisdiction and was later located at a residence outside the City of Belle Isle. The juvenile stated the absence was the result of a family disagreement and appeared to be in good health at the time of contact. Attempts to contact the juvenile's parent were unsuccessful. The missing juvenile entry was subsequently cleared and removed from state and national databases by the originating agency.

December 3, 2025 – Reported No-Contact Order Concern

On December 3, 2025, at approximately 1:32 p.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer responded to a residence regarding a reported violation of a no-contact order stemming from a prior felony case. Upon arrival, the complainant reported receiving unsolicited text messages from unknown phone numbers and a social media contact request that she believed originated from the individual named in the prior case. Officers attempted to verify the existence of an active no-contact order through appropriate court and injunction records but were unable to confirm one at that time. The communications did not contain direct threats or identifiable proof linking them to a specific individual. The complainant expressed concern for her safety and was

provided with a case number. She was advised to contact law enforcement if additional incidents occurred or if suspicious activity was observed. The incident was documented accordingly.

December 4, 2025 – Traffic Stop / Criminal Citation

On December 4, 2025, at approximately 8:21 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer conducted a traffic stop after identifying a vehicle displaying an expired registration that was inconsistent with the registration sticker affixed to the license plate. Further investigation revealed the registration sticker belonged to a different license plate and the vehicle was operating with improper and unregistered tags. During the contact, officers detected the odor of cannabis, and the driver admitted to recent use inside the vehicle. A subsequent search of the vehicle resulted in the seizure of suspected cannabis and drug paraphernalia, along with multiple unregistered license plates. The driver was issued a criminal citation and advised of a mandatory court appearance. All seized items were submitted for destruction, and the incident was documented accordingly.

December 5, 2025 – Theft Report

On December 5, 2025, at approximately 8:40 p.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer was contacted at the police department regarding a reported theft that occurred earlier in the evening at a city park. The complainant reported that an unknown individual took a personal bag containing identification documents and personal items. The complainant did not observe the suspect and declined to pursue prosecution. The complainant was provided with a victim's rights pamphlet, and the incident was documented for record purposes.

December 7, 2025 – Domestic Violence Arrest

On December 7, 2025, at approximately 8:40 p.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer responded to a residence regarding a reported verbal disturbance. Upon arrival, officers made contact with the victim, who reported that during an argument her spouse yelled at her, forcibly grabbed her arm against her will, and threw a household decorative item while making verbal threats. The victim stated she was fearful and hid inside a closet to avoid further confrontation. No visible injuries were observed, and the victim declined medical attention. A sworn written statement was obtained, and all required domestic violence documentation, including a lethality assessment, was completed. Based on the assessment, the situation was determined to present a potential risk of serious harm. The victim was provided with victim's rights information and domestic violence resource materials. The suspect denied the allegations but was placed under arrest for domestic battery and transported to the booking facility without incident.

December 7, 2025 – Suspicious Person / Off-Duty Detail

On December 7, 2025, at approximately 10:00 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer working an off-duty detail at a local church was alerted by on-site security to a suspicious individual acting in an erratic manner during a service. The individual was observed making

hand gestures toward security cameras and the live-streamed presentation inside the auditorium. Church security contacted the individual and escorted him outside, where he stated the gestures were religious in nature. The individual was advised that such behavior could be perceived as threatening or aggressive. He voluntarily left the property without incident and was not formally trespassed at that time. Church leadership later requested that the individual be trespassed if he returned to the property, and a notice with identifying information was distributed to officers working details at the location. The individual did not return for the remainder of the detail.

December 7, 2025 – Medical Emergency / Death Investigation

On December 7, 2025, at approximately 4:58 p.m., Belle Isle Police Department units responded to a residence regarding a medical emergency. Upon arrival, Orange County Fire Rescue personnel were already on scene performing life-saving measures on an unresponsive adult male located inside the residence. Despite continued efforts, the individual was pronounced deceased at approximately 5:27 p.m. There were no signs of foul play observed at the scene. Family members advised the individual had a significant medical history, including chronic health conditions, prior major surgery, and ongoing pain issues. They further indicated the individual had recently stopped taking prescribed medications and consumed alcohol daily. The family reported the individual had a Do Not Resuscitate order, although documentation was not immediately available. The Medical Examiner's Office was consulted and authorized release of the decedent to a funeral home selected by the family. The incident was documented, and next of kin were provided case information and officer contact details.

December 7, 2025 – DUI Arrest

On December 7, 2025, at approximately 3:09 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer observed a vehicle traveling eastbound on Hoffner Avenue displaying a loud modified exhaust and failing to maintain its lane, repeatedly crossing into oncoming traffic lanes and over the fog line. A traffic stop was initiated after the vehicle continued past several intersections before stopping. Upon contact, the officer detected a strong odor of alcohol, observed bloodshot and watery eyes, delayed responses, and unsteady balance. The driver denied consuming alcohol and refused to participate in field sobriety exercises. Based on the totality of observed indicators, the driver was taken into custody for driving under the influence. An inventory of the vehicle revealed suspected alcoholic beverages within reach of the driver. The vehicle was towed from the scene. The driver was transported to the Orange County DUI Center under an existing mutual aid agreement, where he refused to submit to a lawful breath test after being advised of implied consent warnings. The driver was subsequently transported to the Orange County Jail without incident and issued citations for driving under the influence, refusal to submit to a breath test, failure to maintain lane, and modified exhaust.

December 8, 2025 – Fraud Report

On December 8, 2025, a Belle Isle Police Department officer responded to the police department regarding a reported fraud incident. The complainant reported receiving a phone call from an individual claiming to be a law enforcement official who advised she was required to send money related to a supposed federal jury matter. The caller threatened the complainant with arrest if she failed to comply and instructed her to deposit cash into a cryptocurrency machine. As a result, the complainant deposited multiple cash payments totaling several thousand dollars, including funds obtained through a personal loan. Attempts to contact the suspect phone number were unsuccessful, and it was later determined the number was disconnected. The complainant was provided with a case number, and the incident was documented for investigative purposes.

December 8, 2025 – Traffic Stop / Drug Investigation

On December 8, 2025, a Belle Isle Police Department officer conducted a traffic stop after observing a vehicle displaying a paper registration tag and dark windshield tint below the legal limit. Upon noticing police presence, the vehicle accelerated, made evasive turns, and ultimately stopped in the driveway of a residence where neither the driver nor passenger resided. During contact, officers detected a strong odor of burnt cannabis emanating from the vehicle. Neither occupant possessed a medical marijuana card. A probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted, resulting in the discovery of suspected cannabis, drug paraphernalia, and a vaping device containing an unknown substance. No contraband was found on either occupant. All recovered items were seized and submitted for destruction. The incident was documented accordingly.

December 9, 2025 – Traffic Stop / Arrest for False Information and Warrant

On December 9, 2025, a Belle Isle Police Department officer conducted a traffic stop after observing a vehicle operating with an out-of-state paper registration tag that could not be verified through law enforcement databases. During the stop, the driver initially provided identifying information that could not be confirmed and stated the vehicle was a rental but was unable to produce valid registration. Further investigation revealed inconsistencies in the information provided, and the driver later admitted to providing a false name due to fear of an outstanding warrant. The driver was determined to have an active failure-to-appear warrant related to driving without a valid license. The warrant was confirmed, and the driver was taken into custody without incident. The vehicle was secured at the scene and released to a third party at the driver's request. Officers also ensured the safe transportation and release of the driver's minor children to a responsible adult. The arrestee was transported to the booking facility, and the incident was documented accordingly.

December 9, 2025 – Identity Theft Report

On December 9, 2025, a Belle Isle Police Department officer met with a complainant at the police department regarding a reported identity theft. The complainant reported discovering that a cellular phone account had been fraudulently opened in his name without authorization. The

complainant was alerted to the activity through an identity monitoring service and confirmed he did not provide consent for the account to be established. A sworn written statement was obtained, and the complainant indicated a desire to pursue prosecution. The cellular provider requested a police report to contest the fraudulent account. At the time of the report, no suspect information or investigative leads were available, and the case was documented and placed inactive. The complainant was provided with a victim's rights pamphlet and identity theft informational materials.

December 12, 2025 – Reckless Driving / Stunt Driving Arrest

On December 12, 2025, at approximately 12:55 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer observed a motorcycle traveling at an excessive speed on Conway Road, estimated to be well above the posted limit, with a loud modified exhaust. The motorcycle was observed recklessly weaving between vehicles, passing traffic in an unsafe manner, and later performing a wheelie, causing surrounding motorists to slow to avoid a collision. The motorcycle was also found to have a concealed and unreadable license plate with an expired registration. A traffic stop was initiated after the motorcycle came to a stop at a signalized intersection. The operator was taken into custody without incident. Due to the severity of the driving behavior and impact on traffic safety, mutual aid was requested and approved. The motorcycle was towed and placed on a mandatory hold due to the stunt driving violation. The operator was transported to the booking facility without incident and issued criminal citations for reckless driving and stunt driving, along with traffic citations for registration and tag violations.

December 13, 2025 – DUI Arrest Following Reckless Driving

On December 13, 2025, at approximately 5:47 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department sergeant observed a vehicle driving erratically while traveling northbound on Orange Avenue, including swerving within lanes, inconsistent speeds, and unnecessary braking. The vehicle continued into the City of Belle Isle, where the driving behavior persisted, including traveling partially within a bicycle lane and failing to stop despite emergency lights being activated. The vehicle eventually stopped after additional warnings were given. Upon contact, officers observed indicators of impairment, including confusion, bloodshot and watery eyes, unsteady balance, and a strong odor of alcohol. Due to a language barrier, a Spanish-speaking officer assumed the investigation. The driver admitted to consuming alcoholic beverages prior to driving and agreed to perform field sobriety exercises, during which multiple indicators of impairment were observed. Based on the totality of circumstances, the driver was placed under arrest for driving under the influence. The vehicle was towed from the scene, and the driver was transported to the Orange County DUI Center under an active mutual aid agreement. Breath testing was conducted following the required observation period, and the driver provided breath samples exceeding the legal limit. The driver was later transported to the Orange County Jail without incident. The incident was documented accordingly.

December 13, 2025 – DUI Arrest / Resisting Without Violence

On December 13, 2025, at approximately 1:19 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer observed a vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed and swerving across double yellow lines on Hoffner Avenue. A traffic stop was initiated after continued erratic driving. Upon contact, officers observed multiple indicators of impairment, including the odor of alcohol, bloodshot and watery eyes, slurred speech, inconsistent statements regarding alcohol consumption, and unsteady balance. The driver agreed to perform standardized field sobriety exercises, during which numerous indicators of impairment were observed. Based on the totality of circumstances, the driver was placed under arrest for driving under the influence. The vehicle was released to a third party at the scene. The driver was transported to the Orange County DUI Center under an active mutual aid agreement, where he refused to provide breath samples after the required observation period. While in custody, the individual became uncooperative, resisted officer commands, and caused a disturbance, resulting in medical evaluation prior to transport. After being medically cleared, the individual was transported to the booking facility without further incident. The driver was charged with driving under the influence, refusal to submit to a lawful breath test, and resisting without violence.

December 14, 2025 – Medical Emergency / Death Investigation

On December 14, 2025, at approximately 10:18 p.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers responded to a residence regarding an unresponsive elderly female. Upon arrival, officers located the individual on the kitchen floor, unresponsive, without a pulse, and not breathing. Immediate life-saving measures were initiated by officers until Orange County Fire Rescue arrived and continued resuscitation efforts. The individual was pronounced deceased on scene. Family members advised the individual had been seen earlier in the evening without signs of distress and was later discovered unresponsive upon their return home. The individual had a documented medical history and was prescribed multiple medications. The Medical Examiner's Office was notified and placed a temporary hold pending additional medical review. A funeral home was contacted by the family and responded to transport the decedent. No signs of foul play were observed, and the death was determined to be consistent with natural causes.

December 16, 2025 – Drug Possession Arrest / Impaired Driving Investigation

On December 16, 2025, at approximately 1:03 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer observed a pickup truck traveling westbound on Hoffner Avenue repeatedly leaving its designated lane and entering oncoming traffic lanes, creating a traffic safety concern. A traffic stop was initiated after the vehicle was slow to stop and the driver displayed furtive movements inside the vehicle. Upon contact, officers observed indicators consistent with drug impairment, including a blank stare, bloodshot eyes, constricted pupils, and disorientation. A syringe was observed in the driver's seat area, along with fresh injection marks on the driver's arm. The

driver admitted to recent use of illicit substances. A search of the driver and vehicle resulted in the discovery of multiple items of drug paraphernalia and suspected controlled substances, including substances later field-testing positive for fentanyl and cocaine, along with suspected methadone and alprazolam. Due to the driver's condition, paramedics responded and transported the individual to a local hospital, where he was admitted for medical treatment. The vehicle was towed from the scene. The driver was charged with multiple felony and misdemeanor drug possession offenses, along with possession of drug paraphernalia. A blood sample was obtained pursuant to implied consent to determine impairment, with further charges pending laboratory results. The incident was documented accordingly.

December 17, 2025 – Dating Violence Investigation / Warrant Sought

On December 17, 2025, at approximately 1:00 p.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer met with a victim in the police department lobby regarding an incident that was later determined to be dating violence. The victim reported being involved in an on-and-off romantic relationship with the suspect and stated the two had been staying together at a local hotel. According to the victim, an ongoing argument escalated into a physical confrontation in which the suspect restrained her by pinning her to a bed, struck her leg causing visible bruising, and pulled her hair, resulting in pain. The victim did not contact emergency services at the time and instead reported directly to the police department. A sworn written statement was obtained, photographs of the reported injuries were documented, and all required domestic violence paperwork, including a lethality assessment, was completed. The assessment indicated the victim was in a potentially lethal situation. The victim was provided with victim's rights information and support resources. Attempts to locate the suspect were unsuccessful. Based on the totality of the circumstances, probable cause was established for dating violence battery, and an arrest warrant was submitted. The incident was documented accordingly.

December 20, 2025 – Child Abuse Investigation

On December 20, 2025, at approximately 10:36 a.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers responded to a residence regarding a reported child abuse incident that allegedly occurred at a childcare facility within the city. The report originated from the Florida Department of Children and Families after concerns were raised about visible scratches and markings on an elementary-aged child. Officers met with a DCF investigator, the child, and the child's parents. The parents reported they were notified by the childcare facility that the child needed to be picked up due to behavioral issues and later observed unexplained injuries. During an interview, the child demonstrated an understanding of the difference between truth and falsehood and reported that a caretaker at the facility became upset and physically grabbed and scratched him. Officers observed multiple scratches consistent with the child's statements and documented the injuries with photographs. Both parents provided sworn written statements and completed required victim documentation. The incident was documented and remains under investigation in coordination with DCF.

December 20, 2025 – DUI Arrest (Saturation Detail)

On December 20, 2025, during a multi-agency DUI saturation detail, a Belle Isle Police Department officer conducted a traffic stop after observing a vehicle operating with an inoperative headlight. Upon contact, officers detected indicators of impairment, including the odor of alcohol, slurred speech, and bloodshot, watery eyes. The driver admitted to recent alcohol consumption. The driver agreed to perform standardized field sobriety exercises, during which multiple indicators of impairment were observed. Based on the totality of circumstances, the driver was placed under arrest for driving under the influence. The vehicle was towed from the scene. The driver was transported to the Orange County DUI Center under an active mutual aid agreement, where breath testing was conducted following the required observation period and results exceeded the legal limit. The driver was later transported to the Orange County Jail without incident.

December 20, 2025 – Dangerous Excessive Speeding Arrest (DUI Saturation Detail)

On December 20, 2025, at approximately 12:05 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer participating in a multi-agency DUI and traffic saturation detail observed a vehicle traveling at an extremely high rate of speed on westbound Interstate 4. Using calibrated speed detection equipment, the vehicle was confirmed to be traveling in excess of 100 miles per hour in a posted 60 mph zone. A traffic stop was initiated, and the driver was taken into custody for dangerous excessive speeding in violation of state law. The driver was searched incident to arrest with negative results. The vehicle was inventoried and towed from the scene. The driver was transported to the booking facility without incident. The enforcement action was conducted under an active mutual aid agreement.

December 20, 2025 – DUI Arrest / Resisting Without Violence (Saturation Detail)

On December 20, 2025, at approximately 1:42 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer participating in a countywide multi-agency DUI saturation detail observed a pickup truck driving erratically, including lane changes without signaling, swerving over the fog line, and unsafe maneuvering before stopping in a marked handicap parking space at a local business. Upon contact, officers observed indicators of impairment, including bloodshot and watery eyes, slurred speech, and a strong odor of alcohol. The driver initially refused lawful commands to exit the vehicle and was subsequently secured for resisting without violence. The driver later agreed to perform standardized field sobriety exercises, during which multiple indicators of impairment were observed. Based on the totality of circumstances, the driver was placed under arrest for driving under the influence and resisting without violence. The vehicle was towed from the scene, and the driver was transported to the Orange County DUI Center under an active mutual aid agreement. The driver refused to submit to a lawful breath test after being advised of implied consent warnings and was later transported to the Orange County Jail without incident.

December 23, 2025 – Medical Emergency / Death Investigation

On December 23, 2025, at approximately 3:40 p.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers responded to a residence regarding a report of a person found unresponsive. Upon arrival, officers located an adult male in a bedroom who was cold to the touch, pale, and exhibiting signs consistent with rigor mortis. Orange County Fire Rescue responded and pronounced the individual deceased shortly thereafter. Officers conducted a preliminary examination and found no signs of foul play. Witnesses and family members advised the individual had recently been hospitalized for significant medical issues and had last been in contact with family two days prior. Prescription medications consistent with the individual's medical history were located and documented. The Medical Examiner's Office was consulted, confirmed the medical history, and declined to respond based on the circumstances. The next of kin was notified and arranged for a funeral home to respond. The residence was secured, and the incident was documented accordingly.

December 25, 2025 – Trespass After Warning / Resisting Without Violence Arrest

On December 25, 2025, at approximately 12:02 a.m., a Belle Isle Police Department officer observed an individual entering a business property from which the individual had previously been verbally trespassed at the request of management. The on-duty manager confirmed the individual was the same person previously advised not to return to the property. Officers attempted to make contact as the individual exited the building; however, the individual continued to walk away and resisted efforts to be taken into custody. The individual was ultimately secured and searched incident to arrest by a responding female deputy. The individual was charged with trespass after warning and resisting law enforcement without violence and transported to the booking facility without incident. The business later confirmed that no authorization had been given for the individual to return to the property following the prior trespass warning. The incident was documented accordingly.

December 29, 2025 – Alleged Sexual Abuse of Disabled Adult (Information Report)

On December 29, 2025, a Belle Isle Police Department officer conducted a telephone follow-up regarding a reported allegation of possible sexual abuse involving a mentally disabled adult. The reporting party advised that his adult sibling, who has a documented developmental disability, had previously lived with an elderly parent at a local extended-stay lodging location within the city. The reporting party stated that after the parent was admitted to a long-term care facility earlier in the year, the sibling began residing with other family members, at which time concerning behavior was observed. During subsequent conversations, the sibling allegedly made statements suggesting inappropriate contact by the parent; however, no specific details or timeframe were provided. The reporting party advised he did not further question the sibling. The reporting party further stated that a report had already been made to another law enforcement agency several days prior, where officers documented the information but were unable to obtain a statement from the alleged victim and reported no evidence at that time. As of this report, the current whereabouts of the alleged victim are unknown. The information was

documented, and the matter remains informational pending further developments or investigative leads.

December 29, 2025 – Delayed Domestic Battery Report

On December 29, 2025, at approximately 2:30 p.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers responded to a residence regarding a delayed report of a domestic battery that allegedly occurred several months prior. The victim reported being involved in a verbal argument with her live-in partner that escalated into physical violence inside the bedroom of the residence. The victim stated she was struck in the face, causing her to fall to the floor and lose consciousness for a period of time. She advised she did not report the incident at the time due to assurances from the suspect that he would seek help for anger-related issues. The victim stated she later decided to report the incident out of fear of future harm following renewed arguments. Officers obtained a sworn written statement from the victim and documented photographs of the reported injury area, though no visible injuries were observed at the time of the report. The suspect provided a conflicting account of the incident and declined to provide a written statement at that time before leaving the residence. The victim was provided with victim's rights information, domestic violence resources, and notification materials. The incident was documented accordingly.

December 30, 2025 – Fraud / Financial Exploitation Report

On December 30, 2025, a Belle Isle Police Department officer met with a complainant at the police department regarding a reported fraud incident. The complainant reported receiving a phone call from an individual claiming to represent a financial institution who advised her that multiple accounts had been compromised. The caller instructed the complainant to move funds between accounts and provided banking information for a temporary transfer, claiming the funds would later be returned. The caller also directed the complainant to purchase multiple retail gift cards as a precautionary measure. The complainant purchased several gift cards totaling several thousand dollars and was instructed to secure them. When officers later attempted to assist the complainant in recovering the funds through the retailer, it was discovered that all gift cards had been depleted. The complainant denied revealing the card information or altering the cards. The complainant's financial institution was able to freeze the transferred funds, preventing further loss. At this time, no additional suspect information or investigative leads are available. The incident was documented accordingly.

Traffic Crash Reports

Belle Isle PD investigated 5 crashes in December, ranging from minor collisions to more serious incidents involving injuries and significant property damage. Below is a brief overview of each incident:

December 4, 2025 – Three-Vehicle Traffic Crash (No Injuries)

On December 4, 2025, at approximately 9:05 a.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers responded to a three-vehicle traffic crash on McCoy Road near Lindo's Drive, within the city limits. The crash involved three westbound vehicles traveling in the same direction. The initial vehicle failed to yield to the vehicle ahead, causing a collision that resulted in a chain reaction. The impacted vehicle was forced at an angle and subsequently collided with the rear portion of a third vehicle's attached trailer. All three vehicles sustained minor damage, estimated at approximately \$2,000 each. No injuries were reported, and all drivers declined medical attention at the scene. All vehicles were operable and driven from the scene by their respective owners. Due to inconsistent statements among the involved parties, no traffic citations were issued.

Traffic Crash – December 10, 2025

On December 10, 2025, at approximately 8:05 PM, officers observed a two-vehicle traffic crash while conducting patrol within the city limits of Belle Isle. The crash involved a passenger sedan and a commercial semi-tractor trailer on McCoy Road near Daetwyler Drive. The sedan sustained disabling front-end damage and required towing from the scene, while the semi-tractor trailer sustained minor rear damage and was able to depart under its own power. All involved parties denied injury, and no medical treatment was requested. The investigation determined the crash occurred when the driver of the sedan failed to maintain proper following distance and collided with the rear of the semi-tractor trailer. A Uniform Traffic Citation was issued for following too closely.

December 12, 2025 – Residential Property Damage Crash (No Injuries)

On December 12, 2025, at approximately 4:40 p.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers responded to a two-vehicle traffic crash at a residential driveway on Swann Avenue within the city limits. The crash occurred when a vehicle backing out of a private driveway struck a second vehicle that was parked in the grass adjacent to the driveway. The collision resulted in damage to the side mirror of the moving vehicle and minor damage to the parked vehicle. No occupants were inside the parked vehicle at the time of the crash. Estimated damages were approximately \$500 to the moving vehicle and \$1,500 to the parked vehicle. No injuries were reported, and both vehicles were removed from the scene by their owners. The driver of the moving vehicle was issued a Uniform Traffic Citation for careless driving resulting in a crash.

December 13, 2025 – Two-Vehicle Traffic Crash (No Injuries)

On December 13, 2025, at approximately 10:04 a.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers responded to a two-vehicle traffic crash on Hoffner Avenue near Darden Avenue, within the city

limits. Both vehicles were traveling eastbound when traffic ahead suddenly slowed. One vehicle attempted to change lanes to avoid a collision and struck the adjacent vehicle, resulting in an angled impact between the front portions of both vehicles. Both vehicles were able to pull off the roadway to a nearby parking area. One vehicle sustained approximately \$4,000 in damage, while the second vehicle sustained approximately \$1,000 in damage. No injuries were reported, and neither driver required medical attention or towing services. A Uniform Traffic Citation for careless driving resulting in a crash was issued to the at-fault driver.

December 26, 2025 – Single-Vehicle Crash / Leaving the Scene (Property Damage)

On December 26, 2025, at approximately 3:24 a.m., Belle Isle Police Department officers investigated a single-vehicle crash on Hoffner Avenue near the 1700 block, within the city limits. The vehicle traveled eastbound, left the roadway, and struck multiple residential mailboxes (1700, 1702, and 1704 Hoffner Avenue) before colliding with an aluminum fence, causing major damage to both the vehicle and private property. The vehicle continued eastbound and later came to rest near 4416 Hoffner Avenue. The crash was reported several hours after it occurred, and fire rescue did not respond. Total property damage to the mailboxes and fence was estimated at approximately \$5,000, with an additional estimated \$5,000 in vehicle damage. Following interviews and review of evidence, the driver was identified and issued a criminal citation for leaving the scene of a crash involving property damage. The vehicle was towed at the owner's expense.


Code Enforcement


During the reporting period, the Code Enforcement Department handled a total of 25 new cases and successfully closed 50 cases, reflecting continued progress in addressing compliance issues throughout the city. The most frequent activity involved parking-related violations, with 10 cases opened and 12 closed, followed by watering violations with 5 opened and 5 closed, and public nuisance complaints with 4 opened and 7 closed. Residential noise complaints remained minimal, with one case opened and one closed. Exterior structure concerns saw one new case and three closures. Several categories had no new cases but saw enforcement activity through closures, including ramp and park rules with seven cases closed, landscaping with three closures, tall grass and weeds with three closures, and stormwater with three closures. Additional closures included trash and debris, fence repair or replacement, permit-required violations, rental permit issues, and no-permit cases. Overall, the number of closures exceeding openings demonstrates proactive enforcement efforts and a reduction in outstanding code violations across multiple categories.

 **Prepared and Respectfully Submitted,**

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 For questions or more information, contact the Belle Isle Police Department at (407) 240-2473 or visit www.cityofbelleislefl.gov.

 Stay safe. Stay prepared. And enjoy everything our beautiful city has to offer this summer!