# Chief's Monthly Report – May 2025

# Message from the Chief

As we step into summer, the Belle Isle Police Department remains focused on safety, service, and community connection. June officially marks the start of **Hurricane**Season, and we urge residents to take a few moments to check their emergency kits, review evacuation plans, and stay informed as conditions change.

May brought the end of the school year and the beginning of summer school — a transition we supported through increased patrols around schools, parks, and lakefronts. Memorial Day weekend also saw enhanced **marine patrols** on our waterways to ensure safety on the lakes during one of the busiest boating holidays of the year.

We were also honored to host the **Hearts Against Hunger 5K**, which united local families, runners, and supporters for a worthy cause. Thank you to everyone who continues to make Belle Isle a safe and vibrant community.

# **Monthly Activity Summary**

• Boating Citations: 79

Involuntary Exam: 1

• Parking Citations: 3

• Traffic Warnings: 79

• Traffic Citations: 325

• Trespass Reports: 7

• Supplemental Reports: 23

# Arrests and Notable Incidents

# Criminal Arrests & Investigations

# May 2 - Domestic Violence Arrest

Officers responded to Wawa on Hoffner Ave for a delayed report of domestic battery.

The victim alleged that her husband struck her and forcibly removed her from their vehicle. The suspect was later located and arrested without incident.

### May 3 – Burglary & Loitering/Prowling Arrest

A suspect was caught on surveillance entering the garage of a Matchett Rd residence and attempting to access a locked RV. Officers arrived and arrested the individual for burglary and loitering/prowling.

### May 3 – Driving While License Revoked Arrest

A FLOCK alert led to the stop of a vehicle driven by an individual with a revoked license stemming from a DUI. He was arrested and the vehicle released to a licensed party.

# May 5 - DUI Arrest

A traffic stop at Nela Ave revealed signs of impairment. The driver submitted to a breath test under the legal limit and provided a urine sample for further testing.

### May 5 – Harassment Report

A resident reported receiving vulgar and threatening texts. A sworn statement was taken; attempts to contact the suspect were unsuccessful. Documentation only.

### May 8 – Felony Cannabis Possession Arrest

A driver stopped near Hoffner Ave admitted to possessing cannabis. Over 33 grams were found in the vehicle, resulting in a felony arrest.

#### May 8 – No Driver's License / Expired Registration Arrest

A traffic stop revealed the driver had never held a valid license and had a prior citation. He was arrested and cited accordingly.

#### May 8 – Reckless Driving Arrest

A motorcyclist was observed driving aggressively during rainy conditions. The driver was arrested and cited.

# May 9 – Missing Juvenile Recovery

A missing juvenile from a DCF group home was located and safely transported back. Case coordination occurred with Osceola County.

#### May 10 - DUI Arrest

A driver swerving on Judge Rd registered a BAC of 0.141 and was arrested for DUI and related charges. A small amount of cannabis was also recovered.

# May 11 – Aggravated Assault Arrest

A male suspect threatened a victim with a knife and stole their property. The individual was located and arrested. Weapons and cannabis were recovered.

### May 13 - Trespass and Identity Concern

A man attempted to access a hotel room with an ID not belonging to him. He provided conflicting stories and was trespassed. Investigation ongoing.

### May 14 – Vehicle Burglary

A stereo was stolen from an unlocked vehicle at Palm Square Condos. Latent prints were collected; investigation is open.

### May 14 – Petit Theft Report

A wallet was reported stolen from a bus station. The victim declined prosecution but requested documentation.

# May 16 - Reckless Driving & No License Arrest

A wrong-way driver nearly caused collisions near a school during dismissal. The suspect had no license and was arrested. An open beer was recovered.

### May 16 – Suspicious Incident / Sexual Battery Declination

An alleged sexual battery was reported but later declined for prosecution. Inconsistent statements were documented. No charges filed.

#### May 17 - DUI Arrest

A traffic stop revealed a driver under the influence with a BAC of 0.146. The suspect lacked a valid license and was arrested.

#### May 17 – Felony Narcotics & Weapon Arrest

A K-9 search yielded methamphetamine, fentanyl, cannabis, and a rifle. The driver was arrested on multiple felony charges.

#### **May 19 – Felony Warrant & Firearm Arrest**

A suspect with multiple warrants was arrested. A loaded firearm was found within reach. Additional charges for possession by a felon were added.

#### **May 22 – THC Possession Arrest**

A traffic stop revealed nearly 20g of cannabis and unprescribed THC mints. The driver was arrested and transported to jail.

# May 23 - No Driver's License / Expired Tag Arrest

An individual with no valid license and multiple FTAs was arrested and cited following a traffic stop.

# May 23 – Disturbance and Threat at School

A custody exchange turned physical. One person was charged with assault following a verbal threat, supported by surveillance footage.

### May 24 - Found Property - Phone

An unclaimed smartphone was turned in and logged into evidence after attempts to identify the owner failed.

### May 27 - Narcotics & False ID Arrest

A driver gave a false name and was found in possession of methamphetamine. He was arrested and linked to an out-of-county warrant.

### May 27 - Death Investigation

Officers responded to a natural death with no signs of foul play. The case was referred to the Medical Examiner out of caution.

# May 30 - Street Racing Arrests

Two motorcyclists were arrested for racing and reckless driving after being clocked at 75+ mph. Their vehicles were impounded.

### May 30 - Found Property - Firearm

A loaded handgun was discovered in a rental vehicle and later returned to its rightful owner after verifying he was not a prohibited possessor.

### May 31 - Counterfeit Tag & DL Suspension Arrest

A traffic stop revealed a counterfeit tag and suspended license. The driver had no motorcycle endorsement and was arrested.

# **Crash Summary**

# ▼ Traffic Collision Reports

Belle Isle PD investigated a total of 10 crashes in May, ranging from minor collisions to more serious incidents involving injuries and significant property damage. Below is a brief overview of each incident:

- 1. **5820 Cove Drive (May 1):** A vehicle left the roadway and destroyed a residential mailbox. The suspect fled the scene and was not located.
- 2. **3642 Rothbury Drive (May 8):** A parked Mazda CX-5 was sideswiped overnight. White paint transfer and scrapes were found, but no witnesses or video captured the event.
- Hoffner Ave & Conway Isle Circle (May 8): Vehicle 1 rear-ended Vehicle 2 during westbound travel. Approx. \$1,500 in combined damage. At-fault driver cited for careless driving.

- 4. **Hansel Ave & Oak Ridge Rd (May 8):** Vehicle 1 made an abrupt lane change, colliding with Vehicle 2. Minor damage occurred. Both drivers cited for separate violations.
- 5. Lake Conway Shores Dr & Hoffner Ave (May 8): A rear-end collision resulted in minor damage (~\$1,500 per vehicle). No injuries were reported.
- 6. **Hoffner Ave & Mortier Ave (May 8):** Heavy traffic led to a rear-end crash. One occupant was transported to ORMC. Careless driving citation issued.
- 7. **McCoy Rd & Lindos Dr (May 26):** Vehicle 1 failed to yield while turning, striking Vehicle 2. \$3,500 in damage reported. Minor injury complaint; no medical transport.
- 8. **1919 McCoy Rd (May 28):** A vehicle exiting a parking lot struck a westbound car. One vehicle sustained \$5,000 in damage and required towing. Citation issued to at-fault driver.
- 1633 Hoffner Ave (May 30): A vehicle veered off the road and hit a tree, rolling onto its side. Two people were transported to ORMC for evaluation. Rainy conditions contributed.
- 10. **Unknown Parking Lot (May 31):** A vehicle traveling the wrong way collided with another car. One person sustained minor injuries and was transported to ORMC.

Vehicle traveling wrong way struck another. One transported to ORMC.

# **☼** Code Enforcement

# Ordinance Compliance & Public Nuisance Cases

The Code Enforcement team managed 54 new cases in May, ranging from tree permits to stormwater issues and tall grass violations. A total of 38 cases were closed before month's end.

# Prepared and Respectfully Submitted,

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