

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 3-31-22

TO: City Manager Robert Mawson

FROM: Chief Daniel Pasquariello

SUBJECT: Public Safety Department Report April 2022

STAFF REPORT

- One of the difficult duties ACO Dan Boyd has to perform is the euthanasia of animals. The animals he has to put down *(mostly dogs)* are unwanted, vicious, or old and sickly. The only animals ACO Boyd has euthanized in over a year have been "compassionate" euthanasia, elderly pets put down at the request of their owners. This is because ACO Boyd works extremely well with rescue groups in Anchorage and other parts of the state to take Dillingham's unwanted pets, or to take in and rehabilitate vicious animals. We are proud of him.
- During Beaver Roundup ACO Boyd held a rabies clinic and vaccinated 45 animals.
- The State Legislature/Governor's office is looking to increase the budget given to cities for contract jails. If approved the Dillingham jail will received a 45% increase in the amount of money we receive for the jail contract. Right now, it costs us more money to run the jail than the city gets from the contract. This increase will eliminate our supplemental funding for what is essentially a state function.
- We currently have two vacant positions in corrections and have been at a 60% staffing level for a long time. We are just not receiving applicants for the corrections officer positions. This is most likely because most other comparable jobs in Dillingham pay as much, or more money, and do not involve shift work. Hopefully, with increased funding we may be able to raise the CO pay to be able to attract applicants for the vacant positions.
- It is once again time to negotiate a new collective bargaining agreement with the PSEA union. Our goal will be to work out a fair contract that will allow us to recruit and retain employees in all divisions of the public safety department.

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- The Dispatch division is running smoothly, even though we have a vacant position and are operating at an 80% staffing level.
- The Patrol division is running smoothly, even though we have two vacant positions and are at a 75% staffing level. If we make the vacancies rotational positions we should be able to fill them quickly as applicants are constantly calling about these positions.
- The DMV, as usual is running smoothly.

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