



KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief of Police

Executive Summary for Sept. 2023 CLIPP Meeting



TO: CLIPP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY – In July, we handled 626 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- OWI arrests
- Traffic stop that resulted in a 3rd offense OWI arrest.
- Traffic crash that resulted in 3rd offense arrest and an open intoxicants citation.
- Traffic crash in which the driver was N/B on Hwy 51, ran off the road right before the Village limits, and subsequently crashed into Lang's Equipment at 1575 CTH XX, causing thousands of dollars in damage to new ATV's. Rothschild PD handled the crash and we took the OWI. The crash took place shortly after 5:00 am. on a Monday morning.
- Traffic stop that resulted in an arrest for first offense OWI and carrying a concealed weapon.
- Two juvenile disturbance complaints, both of which were referred to Marathon County Social Services.
- An arson investigation that is still ongoing and is tied to a sexual assault investigation that occurred in Rothschild (ROPD is investigating that aspect).
- Three ID theft/fraud complaints.
- A referral for charges of felony bail jumping for a subject who had consumed alcohol, which was contrary to her bail conditions.
- Two theft complaints. In the first, the suspect settled up with the victim and the victim then decided not to pursue the matter any further. The second case is still an open investigation.
- An illegal dumping complaint where we located the offender and issued him a citation.
- An agency assist for Mosinee PD with a search of a female arrestee by Officer Guyer.
- A disorderly conduct citation was issued to a subject who caused a disturbance over the neighbor's dog and threatened to kill it.
- A drug and warrant arrest after officers were dispatched to check on a suspicious subject in a neighborhood.
- Two domestic related arrests. One was for stalking (felony) and the other was for felony battery, strangulation, disorderly conduct, and criminal trespass.
- A welfare check on a patient in a van. Officers found the patient unresponsive and had to force entry into his vehicle. He suffered a medical emergency and if the caller had not reported the subject on their property, he likely would have died.
- One natural death investigation.
- A runaway juvenile investigation that resulted in charges for two subjects who obstructed officers' attempts to locate the juvenile. Despite the interference, they still eventually located the juvenile and returned her to her parents.
- An emergency landing (not crash landing) of a private helicopter. The pilot experienced a mechanical issue and was forced to immediately land his aircraft. Fortunately, the pilot was not injured. Officers contacted the NTSB and FAA and followed their protocol and instructions. The federal agencies followed up with the pilot later. Ironically, the location of the pilot's emergency landing was none other than the old Bender's airfield property—what are the odds!

2. DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS – As you can see from the July call log, it was a busy month. Our newest officers are doing great, and Officers Guyer and Baron are now finished with their field training and on solo patrol. Each officer has been assigned to the afternoon shift for the remainder of the year. This will ensure that they have the most possible double coverage and supervisor oversight with their sergeants.



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We recently participated in a county wide initiative to conduct alcohol compliance checks at area businesses. This was spearheaded by the Marathon County Health Department, and we worked together with the Rothschild and Mosinee Police Departments to conduct the compliance checks. Businesses selling alcohol were provided with letters advising them of the upcoming compliance checks, thus giving them notice that these would be taking place. Unfortunately, we did have one business that sold alcohol to the underage buyer, and they received a citation.

I'm happy to say that we filled our crossing guard positions and a big thank you to Jennifer for helping promote the hiring of that position. Our morning crossing guard is Nicole Vermote and the afternoon crossing guard is Kathy Imlach. Pete Preu was our morning crossing guard last year, but he couldn't commit to a full time slot, so he is our relief person.

Sgt Shope completed a 32-hour course on active shooter, which was sponsored by the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC). This free training took place at a school in Wausau and students participated in many scenarios, both as a solo responding officer and as a team. Sgt Shope will bring the tactics learned from this course back to KPD. Lastly, Officers Dunst and Xiong are attending peer support training in early September, and they hope to get some initial plans rolled out for our new peer support program.

- 3. CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT** – We recently purchased an in-car camera system, brand new, for \$500, after the Rothschild Police Department let us know about this seller. They have two of the cameras in their vehicles and advised that they've worked great. The \$500 price tag is unbelievable considering that these are \$6,000+ camera systems! We are working to get a \$500 donation that will cover the cost of another camera. We have very old cameras in two of the squad cars and being able to get two of these will save us significant money down the road in capital purchases.