



KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief of Police

Executive Summary for June 2026 CLIPP



TO: CLIPP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY – In April, we handled 724 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- An OWI arrest after the officer stopped a reckless vehicle on I-39 on an attempt to locate call. The driver was arrested for third offense OWI.
- Four domestic disturbances:
 - One subject was arrested for disorderly conduct and felony bail jumping. A second subject who was not part of the domestic relationship but was involved in the disturbance was cited for disorderly conduct.
 - One subject was arrested for battery and misdemeanor bail jumping
 - A case was referred to the DA's Office for a verbal dispute that included one subject in possession of marijuana.
 - The last case was a subject arrested for disorderly conduct.
- PD responded to 32 medical emergencies and 18 fire related calls in April. As Chief O'Brien can tell you, the FD experienced a very busy month.
- Two subjects were arrested for outstanding warrants. One was a misdemeanor warrant pick up at a residence and the other was a felony Dept. of Corrections warrant that was the result of a traffic stop.
- We had an overnight burglary to 51 Bar and Grill. The suspects in this case also hit a few taverns in Mountain Bay's jurisdiction and in each case, they targeted the gaming machines. We coordinated with MBPD, who developed leads, and served a search warrant at the suspect's residence. Both suspects confessed to the various burglaries and are facing numerous charges.

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS – Our first new hire, Officer Austin Wadzinski, just started on Friday, June 6. Officer Wadzinski is a US Marine Corps veteran and has five years of law enforcement experience. He was with the Lincoln County Sheriff's office prior to coming to KPD. Officer Wadzinski served four years in the USMC and left as a Sgt, E-5. We're very excited about bringing him on board and I believe he's going to be a great addition to the team! He has started field training, where he rides with a Field Training Officer, and is currently working second shift. The second hire will begin on October 1st and we will start working on his background investigation in the near future.

We recently had two officers graduate from the *First Line Supervisor* course, which is a prerequisite in our promotional matrix. This is an excellent two-week school that prepares patrol officers for the transition to first line supervisor. The school is part of the DOJ's leadership course curriculum. As my time continues to wind down over the next couple of years, it's important to develop future leaders as part of our succession plan. We were fortunate to have a course hosted in Stevens Point because it saves us a ton of money in lodging and travel costs.

CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT — We have already received one of our two new squad cars from the installer, and it is road ready. The second squad car is done, but with staffing and a priority investigation taking precedence, we haven't been able to pick it up yet. We were very fortunate to receive a used squad car radio from the Sheriff's Office for the second vehicle. We ran into an unforeseen situation and needed a radio. As always, the Marathon County Sheriff's Office was there for us. They are an incredible partner to the Village, and they saved taxpayers a lot of money by furnishing us with this used radio.