#### KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT



#### Office of the Chief of Police Executive Summary for Sept. 2025 Village Board

# TO: VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

**DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY** – In September, we handled 635 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- Drug arrests or citations:
  - O As a result of a suspicious activity complaint, two subjects were arrested for possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia, obstructing, bail jumping, probation hold, criminal trespass, and operating a motor vehicle w/o owner's consent. Our officer, along with Mountain Bay PD, was dispatched to a problem apartment on Eva Rd for a possible burglary. Our officer located two subjects behind the building and ultimately arrested them for the listed charges.
  - An uncooperative subject was arrested for misdemeanor bail jumping and possession of THC.
  - On a suspicious activity/traffic hazard complaint, a subject was ultimately arrested for obstructing, possession of THC, and a Dept. of Corrections warrant after he fled into the woods at CTH X/Green Acres Rd. Officers initially believed he may have entered a resident's home, so they cleared the residence and multiple outbuildings. The subject was not located, so they tried a K-9 track; however, that was unsuccessful. Our night shift Sgt later contacted the subject via telephone and convinced him to turn himself in. I put out a press release on this due to the large police presence in the area that day.
  - Three other subjects on three other separate cases were issued citations for possession of THC.
- We had several thefts or attempted thefts last month, including the following:
  - A stolen and recovered vehicle on Eva Rd. The suspects stole the car, took it for a joyride, then abandoned it; however, they took the keys with them.
  - An attempt at stealing a car on Eva Rd in which the suspect damaged the steering column in an attempt to start the vehicle.
  - o Theft of two packages in the Eva Rd apartments.
  - o A theft of a phone and case from a vehicle.
  - A theft of the stop sign from County Rd X/ State Rd 153.
- Two sexual assault investigations, one of which is still under investigation and is requiring quite a bit of work.
- Two disturbances, both of which resulted in subjects facing disorderly conduct charges. One instance involved two juveniles breaking things in the Dollar General and the other involved a subject who became upset with a neighbor's dog and brandished a handgun.
- Four mental health welfare checks that resulted in detentions of some kind. Three of these resulted
  in mental health detentions at the Health Care Center (HCC) and the last one was an elderly subject
  who became injured during an outburst and needed to be hospitalized. We also notified Adult
  Protective Services.
- Two OWI arrests, both drug related.
- Four arrests for domestic related incidents. Charges in these domestic incidents ranged from disorderly conduct to battery.
- Six cases of white-collar crime, including fraud, ID theft, check washing, worthless checks, uttering (passing a forged document).

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#### DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS –

We had a pair of really great community relations events recently, those being the Northland Lutheran High School Homecoming parade and the *Ride to School with a Cop* raffle winner from our National Night Out event. I met the raffle winners and gave them a tour of the squad car, some trinkets, and a ride to Evergreen Elementary School. They were fun kids and a great family! NLHS held their first Homecoming parade, and it was a great success. The school staff, students, and parents did a great job, and we worked closely with staff to ensure the event went smoothly. I was also impressed with the number of people who showed up to watch the parade. We are finalizing plans for Halloween with the street closure on Kowalski Rd. between Paniolo Rd. and Meadow Dr.

We also recently held our annual handgun qualification. Each year, the WI Department of Justice Training and Standards Division requires officers to successfully complete the qualification course. We also held another firearms training in which we trained on shooting with our ballistic shields.

Ofc Dunst and Ofc S. Xiong attended a one-day annual re-trainer on Peer Support and I'm proud to say Ofc Dunst was selected as one of seven awardees! Ofc Dunst was recognized for the *Spirit Award*, which is awarded for a member's "spirit of caring, compassion, and connection as a Peer Supporter. The Peer Supporter is someone that is known for checking on peers and demonstrating authentic concern for their wellbeing." I could not agree more and cannot say enough good things about the job Ofc Dunst has done with our Peer Support Team. His genuine interest and concern for the wellbeing of our entire staff is incredible. Congratulations Officer Dunst!

On a Village related note, I was asked if I could provide a little information about the recent natural gas leaks that closed the Municipal Center on Monday, 10/06. Employees reporting for work smelled natural gas in the building and the Fire Department responded. By happenstance, Malbrit also was on site that morning to perform preventative maintenance checks. The smell was particularly strong in the police department and employees were evacuated. We called WPS, who arrived and conducted a thorough check with their meters, which are stronger than the FD's.

Malrbit began checking the roof units and found a large leak in a roof unit above the police department (defective regulator). WPS detected five more leaks on the roof, two defective regulators in the PD garage bay heater units, and a leak in the boiler room. Due to inside leaks, the gas had to be shut off until the leaks could be fixed. FD and I worked to ventilate the municipal center as much as possible; however, that is not easy because of the closed concept design and the lack of windows that open. The PD has two small crank windows that open, and the main office area upstairs has no windows that open and no means to provide cross ventilation.

Malbrit came the following day, fixed the gas leaks, and turned the building's mail gas line on. In addition, there is a welded gas line going from the main gray meters outside the PD to the rest of the building that is in poor condition. WPS noted this and recommended that the Village replace it. DPW Director Ulman can provide more information on that topic with respect to the line itself and obtain a quote to have it replaced.

CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT — We have received the new in-car camera from the insurance claim, and we have an upcoming appointment with our installer to have that defective camera replaced. We also recently had our annual rectification on all our radar units.