



# KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Office of the Chief of Police

### Executive Summary for January 2025 Board Meeting



#### TO: VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

**DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY** – In December, we handled 461 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- Two domestic violence arrests, one of which was an agency assist where we arrested a subject on Plover PD's charges and turned them over to Plover PD. The other one, which was our case, resulted in a subject being arrested for domestic battery and disorderly conduct.
- A pair of OWI arrests. The first was a first offense OWI arrest after officers were called to the gas station for a report of an intoxicated male preparing to drive away. The second was an attempt to locate, which resulted in a third offense OWI arrest and a Probation and Parole hold.
- Two mental health emergency detentions, both resulting in transport outside of Marathon County. The first call began during the middle of the night and lasted until late morning, leaving the Village with no coverage for over eight hours. We had to transport that subject to Tomah. Fortunately, the second call was not as labor intensive because the subject was already at the hospital and by the time we got the call, we basically just needed to transport them to Winnebago.
- A natural death investigation after officers were called to conduct a welfare check on a subject who hadn't been heard from or seen for a while.
- A citation for possession of THC.
- A subject caused a loud disturbance inside his apartment, which drew the attention of other tenants. However, he refused to open his door, so officers returned later and issued him a disorderly conduct citation.
- Two identity theft/fraud investigations. Fortunately for one caller, his money was refunded, so he did not end up being out anything; however, the other victim lost \$5900 to a phony website from Africa that claimed to sell puppies.
- A pair of theft from vehicle complaints that are still being investigated for any potential leads.
- An assist to the KFD at the Dollar General after officers responded to a fire in one of their coolers.
- A series of child custody disputes between the same couple that resulted in multiple reports being sent to the District Attorney's Office.

**DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS** – The multi-jurisdictional sexual assault of a child investigation is still ongoing and there continues to be developments in that case. The defendant violated the conditions of his bond and since officers were not able to apprehend the suspect, the District Attorney obtained an arrest warrant. When he showed up at court, the judge changed his bond to \$50,000 cash and put him in jail. Great work by all agencies to work together on this and get the defendant put in jail.

Ofc Xiong has spent an incredible amount of time pouring over the forensic phone downloads. He has basically spent his entire shift for over two weeks pouring over forensic details and documenting what he's found in reports, yet he still has more follow-up investigation to do. One eye-popping example of the labor-intensive nature of this work is the fact that one phone alone had over 38,000 text messages in just a two-month period!

Staffing wise, it's been a rough stretch because we've had two officers out on Family Leave from mid-December through mid-January. Additionally, we will still have one of those officers out on family leave through the end of February. The officers made their 2025 shift selections in October and just finished their vacation picks, so they are ready for 2025.



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**CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT** — We were awarded a grant for new equipment to calibrate our PBT's, which are our preliminary breath tests. Officers use PBT's on calls such as OWI's, underage alcohol violations, etc. These devices need to be calibrated regularly to ensure they are operating correctly. The equipment we received is all free because there was no match involved in this grant. Nice work by Sgt Seehafer, who prepared the grant on our behalf.

We placed an order for a 2025 Dodge Durango and the good news is the price did not increase much compared to last year. At this time, it is far too early to tell when it will arrive. Lastly, we had our Charger repaired at 51 Auto Body after the defendant in a domestic case kicked a large dent in it. We submitted an insurance claim and the cost to repair this was nearly 2k!