



KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief of Police

Executive Summary for Nov. 2023 Board Meeting



TO: VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY – In October, we handled 621 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- A pair of domestic related arrests. A party from each incident was arrested on several charges, including disorderly conduct, battery, and criminal damage to property. One of the domestics involved a handgun and the other involved a pair of very young children.
- A couple of juvenile disturbances. In one case, the juvenile was taken to the Health Care Center for stabilization and in the other, the case was referred to Social Services after the juvenile attacked his mother.
- A fraud case where the victim was talked into giving the suspect several gift card numbers as part of a Publisher's Clearing House scam. Suspects in these scams frequently convince victims to purchase gift cards and then provide them with the numbers on them.
- A theft and criminal trespass case in which the suspects ultimately returned the victim's property. The victim then decided they no longer wanted to pursue a complaint since they received their property back.
- A disturbance between two subjects at an apartment complex which resulted in each of them receiving a citation for disorderly conduct.
- An arrest for first offense OWI after our officer located a vehicle from an attempt to locate (ATL) broadcast.
- A report of criminal damage to property after a homeowner found some damage to their house.

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS – We are back to full strength after our injured officer was cleared for a return to duty. This had made staffing tough on one team's work rotation because we already had pre-approved time off and so we often went down to hard minimum staffing or paid OT to fill a shift.

Regarding the significant child sexual assault case we had a few weeks ago, we're still following up on a few things; however, the defendant has now been formally charged with the following felonies (per WI CCAP):

- Repeated Sexual Assault of Same Child (At Least 3 Violations of 1st or 2nd Degree Sexual Assault)
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- Cause Child <13 to View/Listen Sex. Act.
- Cause Child 13-18 to View Sex. Activity
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Sgt Seehafer just completed the three-week Leadership in Police Organizations (LPO) course, which was hosted by the Stevens Point Police Department. LPO uses a behavioral science approach to leading people, groups, and organizations. The course is based on material developed for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. Focused on cultivating leaders at all levels of the organization, LPO training is highly interactive. Small group case studies, videos and class exercises are used to reinforce learning. The three-week course is generally taught one week a month over three months. The LPO course is one of the courses on the KPD career development matrix. Congrats to Sgt. Seehafer on a job well done!



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We also completed medical training, including a refresher on Narcan (used to counteract an opioid overdose), chest seals, and biennial CPR recertification. KFD Chief O'Brien and Captain O'Brien taught the course for us and were kind enough to accommodate both work teams, thereby eliminating the need to pay overtime.

We had a busy Halloween morning with the first real snowfall of the winter resulting in several accidents/vehicle slide ins. The trick or treating went very well and we had a great time. Our officers placed an emphasis on high visibility patrol in the neighborhoods and we partnered up with the KFD to hand out a lot of candy to the kids. I had an interview on WSAW Sunrise 7 on Halloween morning to promote safety and trick or treat hours for our Village. I've copied and pasted a nice comment from the VOK Facebook page after the commenter posted a photo of her child receiving candy from us at Friendship Park.

My son loves seeing police officers out in the neighborhood! His first time talking to them was two summers ago. On two different occasions, officers asked him if he was excited to start school and gave him a pencil. Since then, he's want (sic) to be a police officer. Things like this make such a big impact on the kids. Thank you!

CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT –The 2017 Ford Interceptor has been turned over to the insurance company, along with the signed title. We were able to save some of the equipment from that vehicle but obviously, many things were no longer serviceable. I ordered the two 2024 Dodge Durango squad vehicles but there is no estimated time of delivery yet.