



KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief of Police

Executive Summary for October 2024 Board Meeting



TO: VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY – In October, we handled 658 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- A pair of shoplifting complaints at the Dollar General. We identified the suspect, and he was issued citations for each incident and was given a trespass warning. His accomplice was cited for receiving stolen property.
- An arrest for drugs after we assisted Probation and Parole on a home search. Officers arrested two subjects, one for an outstanding warrant, and another for possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of methamphetamine, and a probation hold.
- A child abuse investigation that we investigated along with Social Services. Reports were forwarded to the District Attorney for review of possible charges.
- An arrest for two outstanding warrants on a subject after officers responded to a suspicious activity complaint that originated at the Dollar General.
- An investigation for sexual assault of a child that is currently still under investigation (this is a different investigation than what is detailed in “Department personnel issues and status” below).
- Two arrests for domestic violence
 - An arrest for domestic battery, domestic disorderly conduct, bail jumping, and resisting arrest. We were fortunate to have full staffing that night (which hasn’t happened much this year) because we had three officers on duty and the subject was combative with officers. This is the same person who kicked our car and caused \$2000 worth of damage.
 - A second case where the offender was arrested for two counts of battery and disorderly conduct.
- Two OWI arrests, both first offenses. One was a result of a traffic stop and the other was a result of a hit and run crash.
- A citation for possession of THC after officers were called to a disturbance.
- A traffic stop that led to the arrest of the driver for possession of a prescription medication without a prescription and a probation hold.
- A domestic disturbance that was referred to the DA’s Office for review.
- A fraud case that is still under investigation as we write subpoenas for information related to the suspect.
- A sexual assault case primarily handled by Mountain Bay PD; however, a couple instances took place in our Village.
- The multi-jurisdictional sexual assault of a child case that’s detailed below.

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS – As you can see, October remained busy, particularly with that push at the end of the September and the first week of October. During a roughly three-week period, we had three sexual assault investigations and two child abuse investigations. Some of these cases are still being worked on and as noted, we had to assign some of these to patrol officers because one person can’t handle that number of cases in an efficient manner. In addition to those investigations, we had yet another sexual assault of a child at the end of October. This is a very significant and complex case that involves multiple jurisdictions working the investigation simultaneously.

At this time, the complete case is still being worked on by each agency; however, the offender has been arrested for sexual assault of a child and there will likely be several additional charges once the investigation is complete. On our end alone, we’ve completed three search warrants and other agencies have drafted their own search warrants. Again, these kinds of cases are extremely labor intensive, and this case had to be divided up with three



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officers working on it so far. Another thing to keep in mind with these kinds of cases is that Lt. Smart or I provide direction and oversight, which is in addition to the officers' time.

Clerk Dianne Drew has been out for a few weeks after a medical procedure and has several more weeks to go before she is back full-time, so everyone is pitching in to help in her absence. Fortunately, we have our new part-time Clerk, Lee Ann Spoon, which has helped tremendously!

We assisted on a couple of Presidential candidate visits in the last few weeks. In both instances, the candidate flew into CWA and then motorcaded to a different location. We assisted Mosinee PD with securing the airport and handling traffic posts around the airport.

Officer Guyer graduated from CIT (Crisis Intervention Training) school in October, which means we now have 100% of our patrol staff (Sgt's included) trained in this discipline. CIT is a nationwide program that trains officers in the best practices for dealing with people in crisis. The program connects law enforcement with community resources and stakeholders to create a collaborative partnership and approach. We deal with an increasing number of mental health calls and it's important for us to be prepared and have officers trained in this practice.

Lastly, Halloween went off very well and the road closure on Kowalski between Paniolo and Meadow was a success. Not only did we canvass that block for residents' support before making the decision to close it, we heard constant compliments and thanks from people at the event who thanked us for closing it. The light rental at Paniolo/Kowalski was critical with all the pedestrians. Kudos to VOK Clerk Sarah Fisher, who brought the idea up for a discussion between public works and police.

CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT — Not much to report here. We have not had the time to get the old Charger stripped for auction yet.