



KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief of Police

Executive Summary for September 2025 CLIPP



TO: CLIPP COMMITTEE MEMBERS

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY In July, we handled 607 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- One domestic disturbance in which both parties were arrested. One half was arrested for domestic battery, disorderly conduct, and a probation violation hold. The second half was arrested on a probation hold as well.
- An OWI 3rd offense arrest after an officer responded to a vehicle in the ditch at CTH X/XX. The driver was also cited for operating with a revoked driver's license.
- A check washing case that is still under investigation. This group has hit the north central area, particularly in Lincoln County.
- Seven thefts
 - One was a theft of two trailers and a small utility truck for a total loss of over \$20,000. We recovered the truck a couple of days later when it was discovered abandoned. We processed it for evidence and will submit items to the WI Crime Lab.
 - Theft and criminal damage to a storage unit. The victim had roughly \$250 of personal items taken.
 - Theft of a license plate.
 - Four thefts from vehicles from various parts of our residential areas along the Kowalski Rd corridor to Crystal View. These cases also remain under investigation. All instances occurred when the thieves entered unlocked vehicles.
- A driver was cited for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia while he had his two-year-old in the vehicle with him. This was also sent to Marathon County Social Services.
- One person was arrested on an outstanding warrant for failing to appear in court.

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS – I'm happy to report that the victim in our serious battery case has been making great improvements lately. We were able to interview the victim and obtain critical information. The victim's improvements have been really incredible and we're still putting a lot of resources into this case. We are determined to get justice for this victim and their family and I'm very proud of the incredible work our officers have done in this case. The defendant just had his preliminary hearing, and the court found probable cause. The defendant has been formally charged with aggravated battery, eight offense OWI, and possession of child pornography. He remains in jail on a \$500,000 cash bond.

In addition to being down two full-time officer positions on the road, our full-time clerk is also off on medical leave for at least eight weeks, so it is a really challenging time from a staffing perspective. Everyone has to pick up extra work to keep things moving, but we have a good group of employees who step up during times like this.

I'm happy to announce that we finished our hiring process and we are hiring Officer Yeeleng Xiong, who is currently a police officer with UW Stevens Point PD. Officer Xiong will begin with us on September 22 and will be on field training for most, if not all, of the remainder of 2025. I think Officer Xiong will be a great addition to our department, and we will now have two "Officer Xions" on KPD! In addition, we now have a second officer who is fluent in the Hmong language, which is a huge asset to our department and our citizens.



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CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT — We are finishing up an insurance claim on a squad car camera system that went down due to the road construction on Kronenwetter Dr. A combination of excessive dust and bumpy roads severely damaged the camera system. We had it looked at by our installer, who certified the damage, and we've just received the claim check. With that check, we will purchase a new camera for the vehicle. Big thanks to Lt. Smart and Jennifer for working on this insurance claim issue.