



KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief of Police Executive Summary for May 2026 Village Board



TO: VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY – In April, we handled 724 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- An OWI arrest after the officer stopped a reckless vehicle on I-39 on an attempt to locate call. The driver was arrested for third offense OWI.
- Four domestic disturbances:
 - One subject was arrested for disorderly conduct and felony bail jumping. A second subject who was not part of the domestic relationship but was involved in the disturbance was cited for disorderly conduct.
 - One subject was arrested for battery and misdemeanor bail jumping
 - A case was referred to the DA's Office for a verbal dispute that included one subject in possession of marijuana.
 - The last case was a subject arrested for disorderly conduct.
- PD responded to 32 medical emergencies and 18 fire related calls in April. As Chief O'Brien can tell you, the FD experienced a very busy month.
- Two subjects were arrested for outstanding warrants. One was a misdemeanor warrant pick up at a residence and the other was a felony Dept. of Corrections warrant that was the result of a traffic stop.
- We had an overnight burglary to 51 Bar and Grill. The suspects in this case also hit a few taverns in Mountain Bay's jurisdiction and in each case, they targeted the gaming machines. We coordinated with MBPD, who developed leads, and served a search warrant at the suspect's residence. Both suspects confessed to the various burglaries and are facing numerous charges.

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS –We have one of our new hires completing the medical and psychological testing phases, which are the final steps in the hiring process. We will try and get him started as close to the beginning of June as possible, but we still must get him outfitted with uniforms and equipment. We have the second hire already picked out and once the first hire is up and running, we will begin the background on the second candidate.

We have two officers enrolled in the *First Line Supervisor's* course, which is a prerequisite in our promotional matrix. This is an excellent two-week school that prepares patrol officers for the transition to first line supervisor. The school is part of the DOJ's leadership course curriculum. As my time continues to wind down over the next couple of years, it's important to develop future leaders as part of our succession plan. We were fortunate to have a course hosted in Stevens Point because it saves us a ton of money in lodging and travel costs.

Lastly, I want to point out the tremendous team effort from VOK staff during the recent tornado. I know this was already discussed at the last VB meeting, but I would be remiss if I didn't say something. The combined effort and dedication shown by the Public Works, Fire, and Police Departments was commendable. Staff worked long hours under difficult and dangerous conditions to clear the road, and they followed up with residents in the days after to provide any additional assistance. Job well done!

CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT — We have already received one of our two new squad cars from the installer, and it is road ready. We anticipate picking up the second one very soon. We were very fortunate to receive a used squad car radio from the Sheriff's Office for the second vehicle. We ran into an unforeseen situation and needed a radio. As always, the Marathon County Sheriff's Office was there for us. They are an incredible partner to the Village, and they saved taxpayers a lot of money by furnishing us with this used radio.