



KRONENWETTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

Office of the Chief of Police

Executive Summary for August 2024 Board Meeting



TO: VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS

DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY SUMMARY – In July, we handled 645 total calls for service. Some highlights included the following:

- Four arrests for OWI, included the following:
 - First offense and resisting arrest. This subject was extremely uncooperative, and it took several officers from multiple jurisdictions to safely manage him. He refused to cooperate, and we had to obtain a warrant for his blood.
 - Fourth offense (felony). In addition, he refused to provide a breath sample, so we had to obtain a search warrant.
 - First offense after another driver reported this subject to the dispatch center.
 - Second offense.
- A subject was referred for misdemeanor bail jumping charges after he violated the terms of his bond.
- Two subjects were arrested on separate occasions for outstanding arrest warrants.
- One mental health emergency detention where the subject was taken to North Central Health Care.
- A burglary with forced entry in which several items were stolen. This case is still under investigation.
- A lengthy investigation into a potential child sexual assault that is still ongoing. We will have this one ready for review by the DA's Office soon. This case required forensic downloads for electronic devices and a lot of follow up work.
- A special needs victim sexual assault investigation that has also been very lengthy and in depth. This case also required forensic downloads of electronic devices, a search warrant at the location of occurrence, and other layers of investigative follow up.
- One arrest for domestic related charges, including battery and disorderly conduct. This subject promptly violated the 72 hour no-contact provision in Wausau, and we were asked to contact him at his residence in Kronenwetter and arrest him on that offense.
- Two drug arrests, one for possession of THC (citation) and another for possession of cocaine and drug paraphernalia.
- A stolen vehicle that we tracked to Grand Rapids, MI via the victim's OnStar. The victim was fooled by a fraudulent transaction, and we've been working with two agencies in Michigan on this one. The Grand Rapids, MI police recovered the vehicle, which is great because our victim will get their car back. We continue to work with the MI agencies to attempt to identify a suspect. We also have evidence at the Crime Lab, and we hope to get positive results from that. This case is still under investigation as well.

DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL ISSUES & STATUS –We are working at hard minimums on one work rotation, as we are down two officers on that rotation (Ofc Guyer on light duty/pregnancy and Ofc Dunst out with an injury). That leaves this work rotation with a 5a-5p officer and a 5p-5a officer; however, some of the other work rotation is helping by volunteering to switch some workdays around. Ofc Guyer is continuing to perform a lot of investigative follow up on our two sexual assault cases.

I can't understate the amount of work and time that it takes to investigate cases like the two sexual assault investigations. Having Ofc Guyer in the office on light duty has been very beneficial because she has been able to work a lot of the follow up, thereby freeing up patrol (although we're essentially robbing Peter to pay Paul because this puts us short-handed on patrol). These types of investigations mean countless hours spent on evidence processing, search warrants, forensic downloads and the review of those, and of course the report



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writing to document everything. By way of example, one of those cases has nine reports, totaling roughly 100 pages! Investigations like these aren't completed in days or just a couple of weeks.

CURRENT GRANTS AND EQUIPMENT — We received good news on the WPS First Responders Grant by getting a \$2,000 award! This was a “no-match” grant award. We are using this money to replace the batteries and pads on our AED's and to purchase some other lifesaving accessories. We have a media event to promote the grant with WPS on August 28 at the Municipal Center. We also put in for a separate 10k grant but unfortunately, we were not selected for that one.