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MEMORANDUM

Police Department

To: City Council

Date: November 4, 2024

From: Chief Frank Stevenson

Subject: October Monthly Report

- For October 2024, the Patrol Division had approximately 1,493 calls for service, made 102 arrests, conducted 214 traffic stops, and wrote 145 case reports. As of October 31st, we are 1,087 case numbers above last year at this time.
- This past month, we hired two new staff members. As mentioned in last month's report, Amanda Catullo joined our Communications Specialist team on October 14th. Dave Wagoner accepted a full-time position with us as Police Officer and began his career with LPD on October 22nd. He has graduated from the DPSST Academy and comes to us with one year's experience with the Corvallis Police Department.
- After several years of dedicated service, Emily Kuschel has resigned as Communications Specialist due to changing family priorities. We have launched a recruitment process to fill this vacancy.
- Kevin Buchheit was nominated and selected to receive a Distinguished Service Award that will be presented to him at the upcoming Oregon Association for Property/Evidence Officer Association Conference. This award will be presented to Kevin on November 13th at the Spirit Mountain Event Center in Grand Ronde in recognition of his unwavering work ethic and contributions to the City of Lebanon.
- Officer Alan Baker was nominated and selected to receive the Oregon Peace Officer Association (OPOA) Distinguished Service Award for his dedication to career excellence for the City of Lebanon. He will be honored during an awards ceremony at the Spirit Mountain Event Center in Grand Ronde on November 15th.
- The previously-issued version of the Lebanon Public Sleeping Guidance and Resource document was modified this past month, and outdated forms have been replaced; an error was corrected regarding the sleeping location at the Justice Center. The original version incorrectly showed the northwest corner (North 2nd Street and Harrison Street by the skate park) as a permitted area.

- Community Services staff members Albanese and Johnson, along with members of the police department, continue to conduct extra patrol within our parks system to assist in reduction of unwanted activities (ordinance violations and trespassing), and provide guidance related to overnight camping. Staff continues to work diligently to provide resources to members of the houseless community.
- Three camps, two abandoned and one active, were identified near the river. Cleanup efforts, utilizing staff from both Police and Public Works, was completed on October 2nd. Thanks to the dedication and teamwork of all involved, a total of 1,650 pounds of debris were successfully removed, returning the space to a clean and usable condition. Total cost of staff cleanup was estimated at approximately \$1,971.18, encompassing a total of 33 hours worked.
- In-person Traffic Safety classes resumed this month, and we are receiving more and more referrals. We are expecting to process 13 participants this coming week.
- The Detectives Division remains busy. This month, they were assigned five (5) new cases, reviewed forty-one (41) DHS referrals, sent two (2) cases to the DA's office for review, and were able to close out five (5) cases. They also spent time assisting neighboring agency groups with warrant execution and drug interdictions.
- There were two (2) use-of-force incidents to report for the month. (1) Officers located an occupied stolen vehicle, and subjects inside the vehicle were known felons. Officers pointed firearms at the subjects as they were given commands to exit the vehicle; all subjects were taken into custody without incident. (2) Subject driving a vehicle crashed into an officer's patrol vehicle, and then fled the scene. The subject was later located still driving his vehicle, and was contacted. The subject did not comply with verbal commands to exit his vehicle, and officers had to pull him out of the vehicle. The subject was taken to the ground after being removed from his parked vehicle, and taken into custody without further incident or injuries. Every use-of-force incident is reviewed extensively by a Sergeant, Lieutenant, the Captain, and finally the Chief. Both use-of-force incidents were found to be justified and fell within policy.
- There was one vehicle pursuit this month. An officer attempted to stop a subject on a motorcycle for several traffic violations; the subject drove away from the officer at a fast rate of speed. After a short pursuit, we lost visual sight of the subject for a period of time, but eventually re-located the subject, who was ultimately taken into custody without incident or injury.

Please do not hesitate to ask if you have any questions with regard to this summarization.