# **Monthly Report**

August 2024



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#### **ADMINISTRATION:**

# Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 2 Patrol Officers
- 1 SLEO III

# Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Det. William Parenti Jr. was involved in a motor vehicle accident on November 9, 2022 and remains out of work.
- Ptl. Romasz injured her leg while directing traffic on December 19, 2023. She is currently out of work.

#### Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

 Effective August 18, 2024, Erion Zeqa began employment as a Probationary Police Officer.

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#### A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On August 6, 2024 at 1630 hrs., a Plainfield Resident came to headquarters and stated that at approximately 1615 hrs. today, he went to a bank in the borough to deposit his check in the ATM when he was assaulted by two unknown Hispanic males. The victim said that he was finishing his transaction when an unknown Hispanic male described as wearing a red shirt, white shorts, white sneakers, and a white hat, placed him in a bear hug while another Hispanic male wearing blue jean shorts, and a gray shirt, took his debit card from his hand and left in an unknown direction. Two other Hispanic males described as wearing dark clothing with black and red bandanas blocked his path, preventing him from chasing the suspects. The victim then went inside the bank and notified an employee that he was robbed and asked her to cancel his debit card in an effort to avoid fraudulent transactions. The victim was not hurt or injured and no weapons were brandished during the incident. One of the suspects dropped a debit card while fleeing from the scene, so he picked it up but realized that it wasn't his debit card. That debit card was secured in the property management system (BEAST) as possible evidence. CID was notified of this incident.

On August 7, 2024 at 1315 hrs., a borough resident walked into police headquarters to report harassment. He said that on July 31 sometime during the day, his neighbor was

driving by his house and when the neighbor was passing by his house, he looked at him in a "menacing manner". The complainant said that he has had issues with his neighbor for approximately 23 years now. The complainant said that the issues have been because of property maintenance, the trees, unregistered vehicles which are parked on private property, and rumors spread by the suspect to the neighbors about the victim. The complainant was advised of the complaint procedure for filing a harassment complaint with the court.

On August 15, 2024 at 1830 hrs., a borough resident came to headquarters and said that on the same date at 1500 hrs., an unknown phone number contacted him via text message. The suspect began to threaten the victim via text messages by sending him pictures of dead people and advising he knows where the victim lives because he is part of a cartel. The victim believed the suspect and sent \$1,000.00 via Zelle. After sending the \$1,000.00, the suspect requested more money via Bitcoin. The victim then received a text message with a QR code for Bitcoin. The victim sent \$1,500.00 worth of Bitcoin to the account linked to the QR code.

NOTE: We are required by the Rules of Court to include herein a statement explaining that the charges are merely an accusation and that the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

#### CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

#### A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	75	598
Closed	40	279
Active	5	67
Suspended	30	252
Forwarded to SCPO	9	48

# A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	4	79
Closed	3	71
Active	1	6
Suspended	0	3
Forwarded to other Agencies	1	9

#### Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made fifteen (15) first time alarm notifications and five (5) general alarm notifications. D/Sgt. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both

patrol & CID, attended the special needs registry meeting, and attended four (4) STEP summer program sessions.

#### Other Matters

CID tracked four (4) Handle with Care notifications made to the school district. CID conducted seven (7) licensing investigations in August (5-Firearms, 2-Limousine).

# Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Det. Rogers appeared in Grand Jury for the matter of State v. Matthew Weber, which was true billed for fourth degree violation of a judicial order.

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**INTERNAL AFFAIRS:** During the month of August, there were two (2) new internal affairs complaint filed.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action	
24-08	Rule Violation	Pending	Pending	
24-09	Domestic	Pending	Pending	

#### PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	14,182	115,319
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	523
Total miles on patrol	14,182	115,842

# Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	3	14
Moving Hazardous Violation	80	461
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	141	1,032
Ordinance Violation	6	46
Parking Violation	95	905
Seatbelt	20	200
Radar / Speeding	15	183
Refusal Breath Test	0	3
Child Restraints	5	48
Reckless Driving	5	48
Cell Phone	126	570

Careless Driving	26	180
Suspended License	15	111
Written Warnings	232	2,041
Totals	770	5,827
Included in above totals		
Loud Exhaust	13	172
Loud Exhaust Warnings	5	72
Parking Sticks	0	0

# Radar / Loud Exhaust Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Brook Avenue	1 Hour
Clinton Avenue	15 Hours
Duer Street	2 Hours
Farragut Road	2 Hours
Greenbrook Road	3 Hours
Grove Street	36 Hours
Leland Avenue	8 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	5 Hours
Norwood Avenue	3 Hours
Parkview Avenue	8 Hours
Rockview Avenue	6 Hours
Rt 22E/Grove	3 Hours
Rt 22E/Jefferson	1 Hour
Rt 22E/Watchung	7 Hours
Rt 22W/Grove	1 Hour
Rt 22W/North	8 Hours
Somerset Street	16 Hours
Warfield Road	2 Hours
Washington Avenue	4 Hours
Watchung Avenue	21 Hours
West End Avenue	1 Hour
Westervelt Avenue	5 Hours
Willow Avenue	6 Hours
Total Radar Posts	181
Total Radar Hours	164
Total Radar Enforcement	75

# Radar Speed Recorder:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Parkview Avenue	08/01/24-08/08/24
Wilson Avenue	08/01/24-08/08/24
Netherwood Avenue	08/12/24-08/20/24

Rockview Terrace	08/12/24-08/20/24
Duer Street	08/20/24-08/29/24
Greenbrook Road	08/20/24-08/29/24
Clinton Avenue	08/29/24-08/31/24
Willow Avenue	08/29/24-08/31/24

# School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	0 Hours
High School	0 Hours
Somerset School	0 Hours
Stonybrook School	0 Hours
West End School	0 Hours
TOTAL	0 Hours

# Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Grandview Avenue	08/01/24-08/20/24
Grove Street	08/01/24-08/20/24
Myrtle Avenue	08/01/24-08/20/24
Rock Avenue	08/01/24-08/20/24
Duer Street	08/20/24-08/31/24
Farragut Road	08/20/24-08/31/24
Leland Avenue	08/20/24-08/31/24
Manning Avenue	08/20/24-08/31/24

#### Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 112 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 46 building or premise checks.
- We investigated 51 general alarms.
- We made 577 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 161 walking beats.
- We conducted 32 school checks.
- We conducted 56 park checks.
- We conducted 123 area checks.
- We conducted 92 loud exhaust posts.
- The police department recorded a total of 3,486 incidents.
- BWC videos and CAD entries were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander.
- 2 Use of Force After Action Reviews were conducted.
- 1 Motor Vehicle Pursuit After Action Review was conducted.

# Parking Enforcement Report:

Ticket	is:	Title	39	Meter Related		ter Related Safety Stic		Total	
		Month	/ YTD	Month.	/ YTD	Month.	/ YTD	Month.	/ YTD
	Totals	427	4,044	303	2,558	0	0	730	6,744
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Meters		Permits		Total Revenue		
Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD		
13,698.33	113,792.75	1,250.00	23,110.00	14,948.33	136,902.75	

# Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month: 97

# **Summons Issued at Accidents:**

Refuse Breath Test 0 Driving While Intoxicated 0 Hazardous 48 Non-Hazardous 22 Alcohol Related 0

#### Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable 26 Rt 22 Non-Reportable 0 Boro Streets-Reportable 60 Boro Streets Non-Reportable 1 Private Property-Reportable 10 Private Property Non-Reportable 0 96 Total Reportable Accidents Total Non-Reportable Accidents 1

# **Accident Injury Report:**

Reports W/Injuries 25
Persons Injured 35
Fatal Accidents 0

# Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 683

#### **Summons Issued at Accidents:**

Refuse Breath Test 2 Driving While Intoxicated 5
Hazardous 280 Non-Hazardous 92
Alcohol Related 0

# Breakdown of Reportable and Non-Reportable

Rt 22-Reportable 206 Rt 22 Non-Reportable 4
Boro Streets-Reportable 362 Boro Streets Non-Reportable 11
Private Property-Reportable 100 Private Property Non-Reportable 0
Total Reportable Accidents 668 Total Non-Reportable Accidents 15

#### **Accident Injury Report:**

Reports W/Injuries 160
Persons Injured 184
Fatal Accidents 1

#### Miscellaneous Information Traffic:

- Traffic conducted collections & escorted parking to the bank 8 hrs.
- Traffic conducted monthly alcotest maintenance 1 hr.
- Sgt. Kardos and Parking Enforcement conducted meter repairs.
- Traffic conducted the yearly crossing guard meeting and training.
- Traffic investigated/conducted follow ups on 2 accidents.
- Traffic conducted a MVC Mobile Inspection detail on August 13th with the following results: 38 cars inspected, 22 cars passed, 16 cars failed. There were 11 summonses issued, 5 warnings issued for inspection violations, 1 open container summons, 1 unlicensed driver summons, and 1 fraudulent inspection sticker summons.

#### **SERVICE DIVISION:**

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$1,210.00	\$15,070.00
Calls for Service/Responses	3,486	28,747
Discovery Requests	20	233
Report Requests	14	102
Pieces of Evidence/Property	27	170

Offense	Month	YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	1	5
Robbery	1	11
Assault, Agg:	0	5
Assault Simple	12	128
Burglary	3	15
Larceny	27	183
M.V. Theft	2	15
Arson	0	0
Domestic Violence	27	185
Bias Incidents	0	4

Monthly Arrest Analysis		Month		)
	Adult	/Juv	Adult	t/Juv
Murder	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0

Robbery	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault		0	4	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0
Larceny/Theft	4	0	12	2
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	4	0
Simple Assault	1	0	40	0
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	0	0
Fraud	2	0	2	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	2	0
Criminal Mischief	2	0	4	0
Weapons	0	0	1	1
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	1	0
Violation of Drug Laws	3	0	7	0
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	1	0
Driving Under the Influence	2	0	13	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	11	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	1
All Other Offenses	3	0	48	0
Total UCR Arrests for Month		0	150	4
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	1	0	33	1
Grand Total Arrests for Month		0	183	5

• 0 Juvenile Arrests for the Month

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief of Police