Monthly Report

July 2017



Accreditation demonstrates the professional achievements of the men and women of this Department. This recognition further demonstrates our collective dedication to excellence in professional Law Enforcement. By voluntarily meeting New Jersey Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission standards, the North Plainfield Police Department has shown itself willing to be held to a higher level of professionalism, building trust between the Department and the citizens it serves

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ADMINISTRATION:

Staffing:

The Police Department is operating below its authorized strength of 48 sworn Officers, and 6 fulltime civilian personnel. Staffing and deficiencies:

- 3 police officers
- 1 Lieutenant's position
- 1 administrative assistant (Records), has been reduced to a 29 hour part-time position. The Chief's administrative assistant position was restored to full time status.

Injured Officers:

- Officer Brid continued to work on light duty since March 27, due to surgery he had on November 3; a result of an on duty accident he had on December 9, 2014. As of July 31, he was out of work for 74 days and on light duty for 76 days.
- Sergeant McKay suffered serious injuries when he was involved in an off duty motor vehicle accident on February 3. As of June 2, he was out of work 81 days. He started back to work on light duty on June 5, and as of July 31, has been on light duty for 41 days.
- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of July 31, he was out of work for 78 days.
- Officer Mazza, while off duty, suffered a wrist injury on June 4. The injury required surgery, and he has been out of work since. As of July 31, he has been out of work for 28 days.
- Officer DeJesus suffered a finger injury when pursuing an arrestee that attempted to flee from Police headquarters on June 16. He required surgery and has been out of work since. As of July 31, he has been out of work for 23 days.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements

• Effective July 10, Dispatcher Straile tendered her resignation.

A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On July 4, 2017 a Boro resident reported a Burglary to her home and theft of over \$300 in property. Through an investigation it was learned that around the same time of the reported Burglary Scotch Plains police responded to a car crash where the driver fled but was found and taken to the hospital. During the course of their investigation property belonging to the person, reporting the Burglary had been located at the crash scene. The case has been forwarded to the Somerset County Prosecutors Office and is awaiting charges.

On July 6, 2017 patrol officers responded to a call of a reported delivered package theft from a residence. During a search of the area a serial package thief was located and the victims property was found and returned to her. The package thief was charged with theft and turned over to the Somerset County jail to await court proceedings.

On July 7, 2017 an out of town resident reported the theft of a leaf blower from the back of his pickup truck. The leaf blower was valued at \$600.00. Fortunately the owner knew the serial number of the leaf blower and it was entered into a national database and during an investigation into property sold to pawnshops the leaf blower was located in Robbinsville, NJ. A member of this department responded to the pawnshop, retrieved the property and the leaf blower was returned to the owner.

On July 21, 2017 patrol officers responded to a gunshot call. Upon arrival it was determined that a victim had been taken to an area hospital by a civilian. During the course of an investigation it was determined that the victim had shot himself with an unregistered gun and his girlfriend had taken him to the hospital. The gun was left in her car with her approval. Both parties have been charged with second degree possession of a firearm and are awaiting the court process.

On July 24, 2017 patrol officers responded to a call from a property owner of a woman damaging two rental homes. Upon arrival officers were confronted with a woman breaking and pulling apart windows on the property. During the course of arresting her one officer was cut on his arms and hands by the bloody glass in the area. The woman was taken into custody and both she and the officer were treated at an area hospital, she has been charged with third degree criminal mischief and is awaiting the court process.

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	126	650
Closed	71	401
Active	8	67
Suspended	47	182
Unfounded	0	14
Forwarded to SCPO	5	45

A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	6	114
Closed	6	106
Active	0	7
Suspended	0	1
Unfounded	0	0
Forwarded to other Agencies	4	60

Community Outreach

The community police unit sent out 25 False Alarm Activation letters to first time activations and 8 False alarm warning notices. The Good Morning program made 13 calls to the Seniors signed up for the program. The community police unit ran the annual Youth Police Academy during July and once again it was an overwhelming success. Officers from the unit attended the Somerset County Chief's Association Fishing Derby.

Narcotics Strike Force

The Narcotics Strike Force spent a total of 15 man hours in the Boro following up on reports of illegal narcotic activity in the Boro.

Other Matters

During July the following background investigations were conducted by members of the detective bureau; two firearms, one Limousine company investigation and two taxi driver background investigations.

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Members of the Detective Bureau testified before the Superior Court Grand Jury two times in July. On July 7, 2017 the Honorable Judge Bury of the Somerset County Superior Court sentenced Jerome Williams to one year in prison for Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance.

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PATROL DIVISION: MONTHLY REPORT

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	15,181	99,103
Miles on unmarked patrol	400	3,395
Total miles on patrol	15,581	99,503

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	8	21
Moving Hazardous Violation	74	528
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	89	881
Ordinance Violation	6	49
Parking Violation	160	1,107
Radar	7	116
Written Warnings	265	2,327
Other Summons	0	0
Totals	614	5,039
Refusal Breath Test	5	10

Radar Posts

STREET	TIME SPENT
Clinton Avenue	12 Hours
Farragut Road	2 Hours
Grove Street	12Hours
Leland Avenue	7 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	9 Hours
Norwood Avenue	2 Hour
Route 22	8 Hours
Somerset Street	20 Hours

Warfield Road	1 Hour
Watchung Avenue	4 Hours
West End Avenue	2 Hours
Radar Posts	79 Hours
Highlighted	
Total Radar Posts	159 Hours
Total Radar Hours	188 Hours

School Enforcement:

SCHOOL	TIME SPENT
East End School	School Closed
Somerset School	School Closed
Stonybrook School	School Closed
West End School	Summer School 9.5 Hours
High School	School Closed
Charter School	School Closed

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Myrtle Ave. East	07/01-07/10
Myrtle Ave. West	07/01-07/10
Watchung Ave.	07/01-07/10
Clinton Ave.	07/01-07/10
Leland Ave.	07/10-07/31
Brook Ave.	07/10-07/31
Westervelt Ave.	07/10-07/31
Grove St.	07/10-07/31
Warfield Rd.	07/10-07/31

Miscellaneous Information:

- Unmarked patrol was conducted in the borough for a total of 125 hours.
- We responded to 108 Rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 84 building or premise checks.
- We conducted 122 walking beats.
- We investigated 61 General alarms.
- We made 234 Motor Vehicle Stops
- Plains clothes details made 6 arrests during the month.
- Arrested two persons related to our recent increase in motor vehicle burglaries.

Parking Enforcement Report:

Ticket	s:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Mor	nth /	YTD	Month /	YTD	Month /	YTD
	Totals	176	1,491	312	1,945	488	3,436

Meters Permits		ts T	Total Revenu	e	
Monthly /	YTD	Monthly /	/ YTD	Monthly /	YTD
8,936.11	67,304.91	120.00	6,510.00	9,056.11	73,814.91

Monthly Accident Totals July 2017

Accidents for the Month:		77		
Summons Issued at Accidents: Refuse Breath Test Hazardous Alcohol Related	1 23 0	Driving Wh Non Hazard	nile Intoxicated dous	1 8
Breakdown of Reportable/Non	-Rep	ortable Accid	lents:	
Rt 22-Reportable Boro Streets- Reportable Private Property-Reportable Total Reportable Accidents Accident Injury Report: Reports W/Injuries Persons Injured Fatal Accidents	22 38 10 70 10 14 0	Private Pro	Reportable n-Reportable p Non-Reportable Reportable Accidents	0 4 3 7
Total Accidents YTD	U	533		
Summons Issued at Accidents:				
Refuse Breath Test		5	Driving While Into	kicated
Hazardous		138	Non Hazardous	
Alcohol Related		4		

206

Total Summons Issued YTD

9 50

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	187	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	12
Boro Streets- Reportable	245	Boro St Non-Reportable	21
Private Property-Reportable	54	Private Prop Non-Reportable	14
Total Reportable Accidents YTD	486	Total Non-Reportable Accidents YTD	47
Accident Injury Report:			
Reports W/Injuries	88		
Persons Injured	105		
Fatal Accidents	0		

Service Division

	Month	YTD
Fees Collected	\$315.35	\$2,997.80
Calls for Service/Responses	2,371	18,783
Discovery Requests	18	149
Report Requests	481	3,149
Pieces of Evidence/ Property	39	245

Offense	Montl	h YTD
Homicide	0	0
Rape	0	6
Robbery	7	28
Assault, Agg:	0	3
Assault Simple	8	68
Burglary	4	44
Larceny	41	267
M.V. Theft	2	16
Arson	1	2
Domestic Violence	27	208
Bias Incidents	0	0

Monthly Arrest Analysis	Mo	Month		YTD	
	Adult	/Juvenile	Adult	/Juvenile	
Murder	0	0	0	0	
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	
Rape	0	0	0	0	
Robbery	0	0	6	0	

Aggravated Assault	2	0	9	0
Burglary	0	0	3	0
Larceny/Theft	4	0	21	3
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	0
Simple Assault	3	0	17	1
Arson	0	0	0	0
Forgery	0	0	1	0
Fraud	0	0	4	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	3	1
Criminal Mischief	0	0	4	1
Weapons	0	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	1	1	1	1
Violation of Drug Laws	5	0	56	2
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	8	0	17	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	1	1
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	4	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	2	0	2
All Other Offenses	19	0	89	3
Total UCR Arrests for Month	43	3	234	20
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	31	0	268	0
Grand Total Arrests for Month	74	3	541	22

- 3 JUVENILE ARRESTS FOR THE MONTH
- 1 OFFICER INVOLVED ASSAULT (NON-LIFE THREATENING)

Respectfully submitted,

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