

Monthly Report

July 2020



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ADMINISTRATION:

Staffing:

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

- 3 Patrol Officers

Injured Officers/Officers on Leave:

- Officer Jean-Baptiste was placed on administrative leave March 6, 2017, due to a complaint requiring an investigation. As of July 31, 2020, he was out of work for 622 days.
- Officer Roberto DeJesus was injured on duty on August 2, 2019 during a motor vehicle stop. As of January 27, 2020, he was cleared for light duty. As of July 22, 2020, he has been out of patrol type work for 178 days. He was cleared and returned to full duty on July 23, 2020.

Promotions, New Hires and Retirements:

- There were no promotions, retirements, or new hires.

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A Sample of Investigations & Arrests

On July 14, 2020 at approximately 0110 hrs., patrol officers responded to a residence on Rock Avenue for a domestic dispute. During the dispute, the male actor picked up his one year old child and decided to go for a walk to cool off. The male parties' mother accompanied him on the walk. The female party, the mother of the one year old, had initially decided to decline a TRO. A short time later, she changed her mind and decided to apply for a TRO. Later that morning at approximately 1031 hrs., the child's mother called the police and reported the one year old child missing. CID immediately became involved and activated the CART team. The investigation revealed the one year old child's father and his mother never returned after they went for a walk the night before. In the interim, the child's mother obtained a TRO granting her full child custody. Our detectives coordinated with the CART team. Our detectives had the father's phone pinged six times. It was eventually determined that the father, his mother, and the child were at a restaurant in another jurisdiction which was verified by the child's mother because of a photograph sent to her phone. Another law enforcement agency was notified and responded to the restaurant with a TRO. Our detectives responded to that location and the child was turned over to the mother pursuant to the TRO.

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On July 16, 2020 at approximately 1440 hrs., a male entered a business on Watchung Avenue wearing a green shirt and jeans and stole an item from inside the store. The male was in possession of a metal pipe. A suspect fitting the description was stopped by a patrol officer in a municipal parking lot in Plainfield in possession of the stolen item and a three foot long pipe. A detective interviewed the complainant who told him that the suspect used to be a regular customer in the store, but he had been banned from coming to the store for unruly behavior and attempting to steal items in the past. When he entered the store on this date, he was told he had to leave and became argumentative. The suspect then grabbed an item and left the store. Another employee followed to attempt to retrieve the stolen item and the suspect picked up the metal pipe and swung it at him making him believe he would be struck by the pipe. The suspect was later interviewed by the detective and gave a statement. The Somerset County Prosecutor's Office was contacted and the suspect was charged with Robbery 2nd degree.

On July 23, 2020 at approximately 0743 hrs., a man walked into police headquarters to report that he had been assaulted and robbed in the area of Grove Street and the Plainfield city line at approximately 0530 hrs. by five males who struck him from behind, causing him to fall down and become unconscious. When he regained consciousness, he realized that his wallet and phone were stolen. While this statement was being taken, a patrol officer reported seeing a group fitting that description in that area. As that officer checked on Front Street in Plainfield, he observed a member of that group assaulting a male. As the officer intervened in the assault several of the males walked away quickly. Detectives and other officers and the Plainfield Police located the males in the area just west of where the assault was occurring and three suspects were taken into custody. They were later found to have proceeds from the robbery on them. The Somerset County Prosecutor's Office was contacted and three male juveniles were charged with Robbery 2nd degree and lodged in the Middlesex County Juvenile Detention center. Those three, along with two others, were also suspects in Plainfield for assaults on other victims.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DIVISION:

A comparison of Adult incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	113	577
Closed	71	373
Active	10	6
Suspended	32	188
Unfounded	0	29
Forwarded to SCPO	6	78

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A comparison of Juvenile incident reports:

	Month	YTD
Investigated	8	122
Closed	8	116
Active	0	0
Suspended	0	5
Unfounded	0	1
Forwarded to other Agencies	7	82

Community Outreach

The Community Policing Unit made eleven (11) calls to the senior citizens enrolled in the Good Morning Program, and sent out eighteen (18) first time false alarm activation notices and twelve (12) false alarm notices. Det. Domizi assisted in numerous translations for both patrol & CID. Det. Mote was temporarily assigned to the Services Division to assist with a back log of firearms applications.

Narcotics Strike Force

The Task Force Officer has returned to the Task Force. The first day back the officer was sworn in and received orientation. He also received additional training in Tactical Combat Casualty Care and Room Clearing. Undercover buys were made in several Somerset County towns, including North Plainfield. Information regarding possible narcotic activity at certain borough addresses have been passed forward to the Task Force Officer.

Other Matters

Detectives continue to investigate all criminal matters within North Plainfield during the pandemic. Detectives conducted thirteen licensing and background investigations during the month of July (10-Firearms, 1-Vendor, 1-Police Applicant, 1-Cafe).

Adjudications & Judicial Proceedings

Superior Court began virtual first appearances in June due to the health pandemic. No trials were conducted but they are expected to be scheduled soon.

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INTERNAL AFFAIRS: During the month of July 2020, the police department logged the following Internal Affairs complaints.

Investigation #	Classification	Disposition	Corrective Action
20-17	Rule	Pending	Pending
20-15	Demeanor	Pending	Pending

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20-14	Rule	Pending	Pending
20-13	Demeanor	Pending	Pending
20-12	Rule	Sustained	Pending
20-11	Rule	Sustained	Pending
20-08	Rule	Pending	Pending
17-03	Criminal Violation	Pending	Pending

PATROL DIVISION:

	Month	YTD
Miles on marked patrol	16,894	109,218
Miles on unmarked patrol	0	250
Total miles on patrol	16,894	109,218

Traffic summonses issued:

Type of summonses	Month	YTD
Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)	1	13
Moving Hazardous Violation	26	222
Moving Non-Hazardous Violation	59	419
Ordinance Violation	5	16
Parking Violation	58	420
Seatbelt	10	39
Radar	8	75
Refusal Breath Test	0	1
Child Restraints	1	22
Reckless Driving	1	22
Cell Phone	33	52
Careless Driving	13	92
Suspended License	11	111
Written Warnings	70	954
Totals	295	2,449

Radar Posts:

STREET	TIME SPENT
Belmont Avenue	1 Hour
Brook Avenue	1 Hour
Clinton Avenue	8 Hours
Craig Place	3 Hours
Duer Street	1 Hour
Farragut Road	4 Hours
Grandview Avenue	2 Hours
Greenbrook Road	4 Hours
Grove Street	13 Hours

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Leland Avenue	4 Hours
Myrtle Avenue	8 Hours
North Drive	1 Hour
Norwood Avenue	7 Hours
Oneida Avenue	1 Hour
Rockview Avenue	1 Hour
Route 22	11 Hours
Sandford Avenue	9 Hours
Somerset Street	13 Hours
Sycamore Avenue	1 Hour
Warfield Road	6 Hours
Washington Avenue	1 Hour
Radar Posts Highlighted	102
Total Radar Posts	111
Total Radar Hours	125 Hours

School Enforcement:

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

Speed Sign:

STREET	LENGTH OF TIME
Sandford Avenue N & S	07/01/20-07/13/20
Brook Avenue	07/01/20-07/31/20
Myrtle Avenue E & W	07/01/20-07/31/20
Grandview Avenue	07/13/20-07/31/20
Farragut Road	07/17/20-07/31/20

Miscellaneous Information:

- We responded to 79 rescue squad calls.
- We conducted 163 building or premise checks.
- We conducted 0 interior school checks.
- We investigated 43 general alarms.
- We made 172 motor vehicle stops.
- We conducted 23 walking beats.
- The police department recorded a total of 3,114 incidents.
- Patrol Vehicle mileage is reflective of older vehicles being taken offline or

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transferred to another Division, as well as new vehicles being put into service with the mileage difference and addition taken into account for the total mileage for the month.

- Although there are still restrictions in place due to the COVID 19 pandemic, patrol related activities in the areas of motor vehicle stops, walking beats, and radar posts have increased.
- BWC videos were reviewed by the Patrol Division Commander. Case Number of Review: 20-18456

Parking Enforcement Report:

Tickets:	Title 39		Meter Related		Total	
	Month / YTD		Month / YTD		Month / YTD	
Totals	259	1,120	127	1,090	386	2,210

Meters		Permits		Total Revenue	
Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD		Monthly / YTD	
6,397.28	46,936.07	3,860.00	9,810.00	10,257.28	56,746.07

Monthly Accident Totals

Accidents for the Month: 65

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	0	Driving While Intoxicated	1
Hazardous	23	Non-Hazardous	19
Alcohol Related	0		

Breakdown of Reportable/Non-Reportable Accidents:

Rt 22-Reportable	18	Rt 22 Non-Reportable	0
Boro Streets-Reportable	34	Boro Streets Non-Reportable	0
Private Property-Reportable	12	Private Property Non-Reportable	1
Total Reportable Accidents	64	Total Non-Reportable Accidents	1

Accident Injury Report:

Reports W/Injuries	8
Persons Injured	11
Fatal Accidents	0

Accidents Year To Date (YTD): 425

Summons Issued at Accidents:

Refuse Breath Test	2	Driving While Intoxicated	10
Hazardous	145	Non-Hazardous	96

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Larceny	20	173
M.V. Theft	2	5
Arson	0	1
Domestic Violence	31	172
Bias Incidents	2	11

Monthly Arrest Analysis

	Month		YTD	
	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv	Adult/Juv
Murder	0	0	0	0
Manslaughter	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0
Robbery	1	3	3	5
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	2	0
Larceny/Theft	2	0	19	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	0	0	1
Simple Assault	7	0	38	0
Arson	0	0	1	0
Forgery	0	0	0	0
Fraud	1	0	1	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	0	0
Criminal Mischief	1	0	4	0
Weapons	1	0	1	0
Prostitution	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	0	1
Violation of Drug Laws	3	0	26	7
Gambling	0	0	0	0
Offenses Against Family & Children	0	0	0	0
Driving Under the Influence	2	0	15	0
Liquor Law Violations	0	0	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	1	0	10	0
Vagrancy	0	0	0	0
Curfew and Loitering	0	0	0	0
All Other Offenses	1	0	51	1
Total UCR Arrests for Month	20	3	171	15
Contempt of Court Arrests Other	6	0	95	0
Grand Total Arrests for Month	26	3	266	15

- **3 Juvenile Arrests for the Month**

Respectfully submitted,



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