



# AYER POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Town Manager Pontbriand  
**From:** Chief William A. Murray  
**CC:** file  
**Date:** June 20, 2020  
**Re:** May Monthly Report

During the month of May 2020 the Police Department logged 409 events. We assisted the Fire Department on 58 medicals and 20 other Fire Department related calls. Here are some of the highlights:

Offense	Total
Animal Complaint	31
Assault	3
Assist Other Agencies	2
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	1
Civil Complaint	1
Disturbance	23
Domestic	8
Fraud	0
Larceny	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	9
MV Stops	27
Motor Vehicle Theft	0
Sex Offender Violations	0
Shoplifting	0
Vandalism of Property	1
Weapons Law Violation	0

During this time of COVID-19 our numbers of calls for service and motor vehicle stops have significantly dropped. Our mission is focused on ensuring resident quality of life through high visibility and assisting the Board of Health with necessary SOP enforcement. In this midst of COVID-19 uncertainty and fear, the men and women of Ayer PD report every day to their assigned positions ready and willing to assist.

In spite of COVID-19 the Department continues on in its effort toward Certification. Though we are not able to make use of the assistance of our consultant we continue to review and improve our Policies and Procedures. We remain on track to be assessed sometime later this year.

Weekly conference calls with a plethora of different agencies continued for me this month in an effort to stay abreast of the most current information and best practices relating to COVID-19.

This month, led by SRO Bigelow, we remained involved with numerous motor vehicle parades and drive-bys designed to make someone's special day a little brighter during the stay at home advisory. Deputy Chief Gill designed an online participation request form that was put up on our web and Facebook pages.

Complaints against Employees:       None

Commendations to Employees:       None

Training classes that officers attended remotely during April, either collectively or individually, were in the areas of:

In-service

- Defensive Tactics
- Police Survival
- Legal Updates
- Animal Investigations
- Police Pursuits
- Suicide by COP

Holding Facility

911 Supervision

911 Liability

Policies and Procedures

In total the Department spent 195 hours in training for the month.