

AYER POLICE DEPARTMENT



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William A. Murray *Chief of Police*

MEMORANDUM

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



During the month of September 2020 the Police Department logged 1009 events. We assisted the Fire Department on 47 medicals and 20 other Fire Department related calls. Here are some of the highlights:

Offense	Total
Animal Complaint	19
Assault	1
Arson	1
Assist Other Agencies	8
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	0
Civil Complaint	0
Disturbance	15
Domestic	5
Fraud	3
Impersonation	2
Intimidation	1
Larceny	1
Motor Vehicle Accidents	11
MV Stops	59
Motor Vehicle Theft	0
Sex Offender Violations	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	1
Shoplifting	0
Vandalism of Property	4
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. We have regained the services of our Consultant, while adhering to strict COVID-19 guidelines and we remain on track to be assessed sometime later this year.

The week of the 14th was spent, by Deputy Chief Gill, Sgt. Pearson and Officer Davis, in Zoom interviews with 12 Police Officer Applicants. From this pool of candidates, we hope to choose 3 finalists to fill a current open position and 2 anticipated ones.

With the start of the new school year, the monthly ASRSD Safety Team Meetings have resumed with the use of Zoom. The goal of these meetings, attended by stakeholders from both towns, is to discuss safety concerns and solutions at the schools in both communities.

Complaints against Employees: None

Commendations to Employees:

- Brent Davis for kindness and caring shown to a woman passing through town on foot who needed food supplies. Brent brought her to the Stone Soup Pantry for assistance.
- Mike Nicolo for his continued efforts as the Department's Houses of Worship Liaison and lending assistance during a recent food distribution day.

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

First Responder CJIS Recert EMD Certification Implicit Bias and Micro Aggressions Conflict of Interest Law Firearms Legal Update

In total the Department spent 80 hours in training for the month.