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MEMORANDUM

To: Town Manager Robert A. Pontbriand
From: Chief Brian P. Gill
CC: file
Date: October 20, 2023
Re: September 2023 Monthly Report

Ayer PD Monthly Stats	Total
ASRECC Total Calls	2517
Ayer Only Calls	1183/ 47%
Ayer Only 911 Calls	130 / 55%
Accident	7
Animal Complaints	34
Arrests	11
Assist Fire Dept	17
Assist Ambulance	9
Assist Other Agencies	7
Criminal Applications	4
Incidents	70
Investigations	24
MV Stops	93
Radar Locations	142

Offense	Total
Aggravated Assault	1
Arson	0
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	3
Counterfeiting / Forgery	0
Credit Card / Automatic Teller	0
Disturbance	0
Domestic	0
Drug/Narcotic Violations	1
Extortion / Blackmail	1
False Pretenses / Swindle	2
Forcible Fondling	0
Fraud	0
Identity Theft	0
Impersonation	1
Intimidation	1
Larceny	4
Motor Vehicle Theft	1
Pocket Picking	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	0
Purse Snatching	0
Robbery	0
Sexual Assault	0
Shoplifting	0
Simple Assault	2
Stolen Property Offenses	1
Theft From Building	1
Theft From MV	0
Destruction / Vandalism of Prop	9
Weapons Law Violation	0
Wire Fraud	0

In personnel news, Sgt. Kellie Barhight resigned from Ayer PD on Thursday September 7th to take a Lieutenant position in the Stow PD. This resignation brings our open Patrol Officer Positions to four, five if you count the recruit officer we have in the academy. This staffing shortage is making it difficult to promote someone to Sergeant and will be working within the Department to identify solutions.

Recruit Officer Jared Splaine is entering the last month of the Randolph Academy and is scheduled to graduate on October 27, 2023. Everyone at the Ayer Police Department is looking forward to his graduation and his start of Field Training.

We continue the comprehensive background investigations on two candidates and are working on identify two more exceptional Police Officer candidates. We will be moving expeditiously through both processes to get the new officers on the street as soon as possible.

In Dispatch personnel news, we have identified a Full Time Dispatcher and have provided a conditional offer of employment and commenced a comprehensive background investigation. We hope to complete the background investigation and begin the training phase in October. We have also identified a Per Diem Dispatcher and hope to complete the background checks and begin training in October.

September also saw the continued collaboration between the Ayer Police Department and Fitchburg State University by being an intern placement site. This year we welcomed FSU student Jordan Gagliardi, who is in her final year of the FSU Police Program, and she will be with us during the Fall Semester.

Training officers attended during the month, were in the areas of:

- Police MPTC Inservice Training
- Detainee Handcuffing, Monitoring and Security
- Massachusetts Women in Law Enforcement Conference
- CJIS Recertification
- Creating Community in the Workplace
- Supervising and Managing FTO Program
- Bullet Proof Leadership

In Total, the Department spent 105 hours in training for the month.