

# **Polk City Police Department**

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To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

From: Lieutenant Aswegan

Date: May 10th, 2021

Re: April 2021 Monthly Report

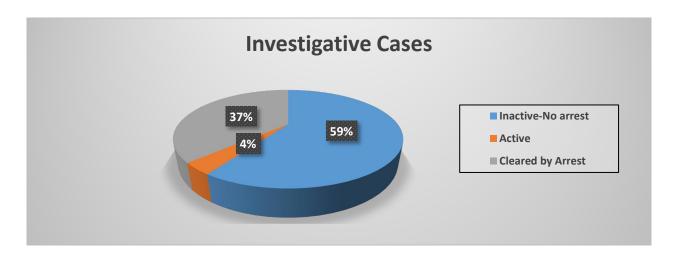
#### **Calls for Service**

The total calls for service for the month of April were **419**. This includes response to citizen complaints/reports, assists, self-initiated activities such as traffic stops, building checks, suspicious persons, and case follow up. Among these calls for service Polk City Officers conducted **115** traffic stops.



### **Cases Made**

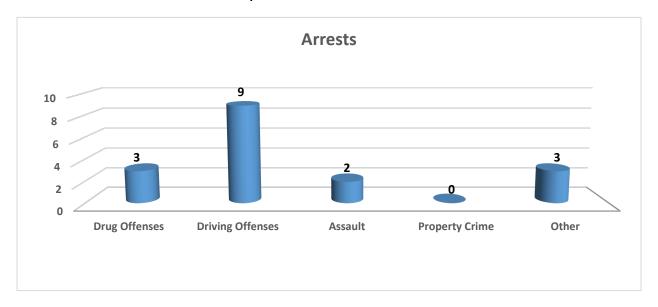
The Police Department had **28** total cases during the month of April. **27** of the cases were investigative incident reports and **1** was a traffic collision. There is **1** active investigation from this month. There was a **37%** rate of cases cleared by arrest, for investigative cases in April.





#### **Arrests Made**

The Police Department made **17** arrests and issued **30** citations and **105** warnings. The arrests consisted of **9** driving offenses (including 3 impaired driving arrests and 6 arrests for driving with a suspended, revoked, or barred license), **1** wanted person, **3** drug offenses, **2** Domestic Abuse Assault arrests, **1** arrest for Interference with Official Acts and **1** arrest for a weapons violation.



#### **Notable Incidents**

On April 10<sup>th</sup> at about 7:00 pm, a Polk City Police Officer stopped a vehicle for expired registration. The vehicle was operated by a 33-year-old Des Moines resident. An investigation revealed that she had a barred driver's license. She was also found to have 3 unknown types of controlled substances and some drug paraphernalia in her possession. She was arrested and charged with Driving While License Barred and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. Additional charges for Possession of Controlled Substance are pending lab results.

On April 12<sup>th</sup> at about 4:15 pm, a Polk City Police Officer stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation. The vehicle was driven by a 30-year-old Des Moines resident and a passenger in the vehicle was identified as a 26-year-old West Des Moines resident. An investigation revealed that the driver and passenger was under the influence of a methamphetamine, opiates, fentanyl, and marijuana. They were found to be in possession of an undetermined type of controlled substance, suspected to be heroin, and hypodermic needles. The driver was found to have a barred driver's license and 2 outstanding warrants for his arrest for violating the conditions of his probation. The driver was charged with Operating While Intoxicated-2<sup>nd</sup> Offense, Driving While License Barred, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia and Carrying Weapons. The passenger was charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia. They were booked into the Polk County Jail. Additional charges for Possession of Controlled Substance are pending lab results.

On April 15<sup>th</sup> at about 6:30 pm a Polk City Police Officer stopped a vehicle for not displaying license plates. An investigation revealed that the driver, a 34-year-old Des Moines resident, was under the influence of alcohol. His breath alcohol concentration was discovered to be .190%. He was arrested and charged with Operating While Intoxicated-2<sup>nd</sup> offense.

On April 18<sup>th</sup> at about 3:00 pm a Polk City Police Officer was dispatched to a reckless driver, who had almost struck other vehicles head-on. The officer located and stopped the vehicle, which was driven by a 31-year-old Des Moines resident. An investigation revealed that his driver's license was barred, and he was intoxicated. The driver became combative with officers on scene and continued being combative with officers at the Polk County Jail. He was charged with Driving While License Barred, OWI-1<sup>st</sup> Offense and Interference with Official Acts.

## **Officer Training**

Lieutenant Aswegan attended and graduated the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy Open Sight Rifle Instructor Course. This course instructs law enforcement firearms instructors how to instruct officers in the use of modern semi-automatic rifles used for police duty.

## **In-Service Training**

April in-service was focused on our annual Taser re-certification. Officer Wilson is our department's Taser instructor. This tool provides an officer with another option to use to bring a combative person under control and take them into custody with substantially less risk of injury to the officer and suspect alike.

<b>Training Hours:</b>	<b>72</b>
Lamfers	4
Untrauer	4
Aicher	12
Siepker	4
Wilson	4
Aswegan	40
Delaney	4

## **Canine Program**

Officer Aicher and Eudoris were deployed 4 times in April. All deployments were for narcotics detection.

On April 10<sup>th</sup> Eudoris was deployed on a vehicle in Polk City resulting in the recovery of 3 types of controlled substances, believed to be psilocybin mushrooms, methamphetamine, and cocaine. The offender was arrested and booked into the Polk County Jail.

On April 12<sup>th</sup> Eudoris was deployed on a vehicle in Polk City resulting in the recovery of suspected heroin and several hypodermic needles. Two offenders were arrested and booked into the Polk County Jail.

On April 22<sup>nd</sup> Eudoris was deployed to assist Windsor Heights Police Department. Eudoris alerted to the presence of the odor of narcotics in the vehicle resulting in the recovery of suspected methamphetamine and several items of drug paraphernalia. Windsor Heights Police arrested the offender.