

Polk City Police Department

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To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

From: Lieutenant Aswegan Date: August 10th, 2021

Re: July 2021 Monthly Report

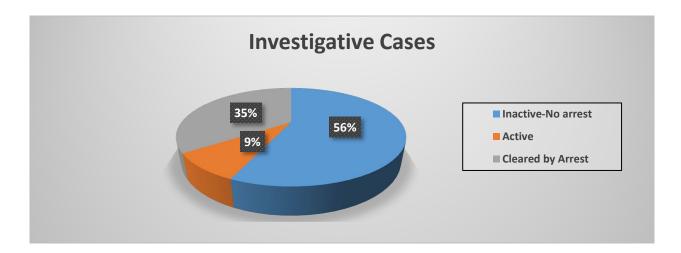
Calls for Service

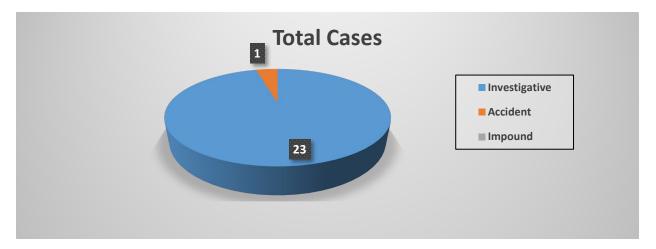
The total calls for service for the month of July were **380**. This includes response to citizen complaints/reports, assists, self-initiated activities such as traffic stops, building checks, suspicious persons, and case follow up. Among these calls for service Polk City Officers conducted **72** traffic stops.



Cases Made

The Police Department had **24** total cases during the month of July. **23** of the cases were investigative incident reports and **1** was a traffic collision. There are **2** active investigations from this month. There was a **35%** rate of cases cleared by arrest, for investigative cases in July.





Arrests Made

The Police Department made **14** arrests and issued **24** citations and **70** warnings. The arrests consisted of **5** driving offenses (including 2 impaired driving arrests and 3 arrests for driving with a suspended, revoked, or barred license), **2** arrests for Assault (one for Domestic Abuse Assault and the other for Assault Causing Bodily Injury), and **5** arrests for other offenses including 2 for Public Intoxication, 1 for Harassment, 1 for Disorderly Conduct, and 1 for Interference with Emergency Communications.



Notable Incidents

During the early morning hours of July 15th, several vehicles were burglarized, and a vehicle was stolen from the area of Marina Cove Drive. The stolen vehicle was recovered in Des Moines that morning and returned to the owners. Numerous other metro communities have had similar incidents. We are jointly working on these cases with other law enforcement agencies in the area.

On July 25th, a Polk City Police Officer observed a vehicle knocking over cones in a construction area near W. Bridge and Parker. The officer stopped the vehicle and through an investigation determined the driver was intoxicated. The driver, a 33-year-old Waukee resident, was arrested and charged with Operating While Intoxicated-3rd Offense. He was booked into the Polk County Jail.

On July 16th, Polk City Police Officers were dispatched to 318 E Van Dorn Street Apartment Building for a report of a domestic disturbance. An investigation revealed that the suspect, a 35-year-old female Polk City resident, engaged in a verbal argument with her significant other resulting in the suspect striking the victim in the face and pepper spraying him. The suspect was charged with Domestic Abuse Assault Causing Bodily Injury.

Officer Training



Officer Jeremy Burdess completed the department's field training program in July. Our field training program is broken into 4 phases, with each phase placing increasingly more responsibilities on the trainee. The program is delivered by our Field Training Officer (FTO) Officer Lamfers. Officer Burdess is now working the night shift.

On July 12th, Lt. Aswegan attended a training seminar hosted at the Altoona Police Department. The guest speaker was Lt. Brian Murphy, who was the first responding officer to the active shooter at the Sikh Temple in 2012. Lt. Murphy engaged in a gun fight with the suspect, effectively drawing the suspect's efforts away from civilians. Lt. Murphy was shot over a dozen times during this gun fight. The suspect eventually killed himself as additional officers arrived on scene.

Officer Aicher conducted 16 hours of training with Eudoris, which focused on tracking, article searches, obedience, and suspect engagements.

In-Service Training

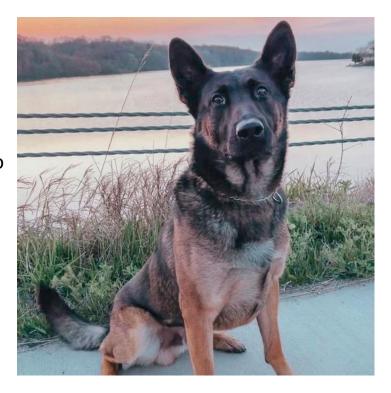
In-service training in July focused on annual weapons qualifications. Polk City Officers qualified on their pistol, shotgun, and patrol rifles. This is a state mandated annual requirement. Two officers were unable to attend training due to scheduled time off. They will be completing their weapons qualifications in August.

Training Hours:	30
Lamfers	2
Untrauer	0
Aicher	18
Siepker	2
Wilson	0
Aswegan	6
Delaney	2
Burdess	2



Canine Program

Officer Aicher and Eudoris were deployed two times in July. One deployment was to investigate an unsecured door of a local business. The other deployment was to Des Moines to assist Des Moines PD on a traffic stop.



Community Outreach

During a heatwave in July, the Polk City Police
Department erected a tent and supplied cold water for citizens. Several citizens used the resource. This will be something that we continue to do during the hottest days of the summer as a way of providing another service to our community.





The Police Department acquired 5 new AED's through the Iowa Department of Public Health & the Department of Public Safety Helmsley Charitable Trust Law Enforcement AED Grant. The AED's have been placed in newly developed medical response bags for each of the patrol cars.