



# Polk City Police Department

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To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

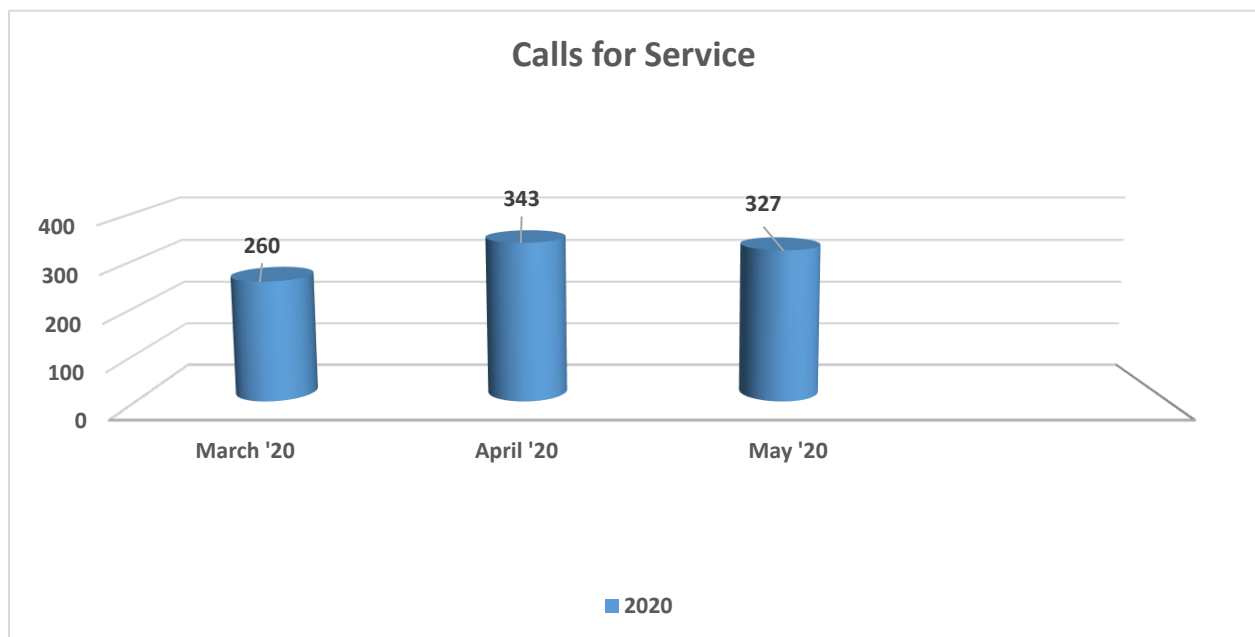
From: Lieutenant Aswegan

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Re: May 2020 Monthly Report

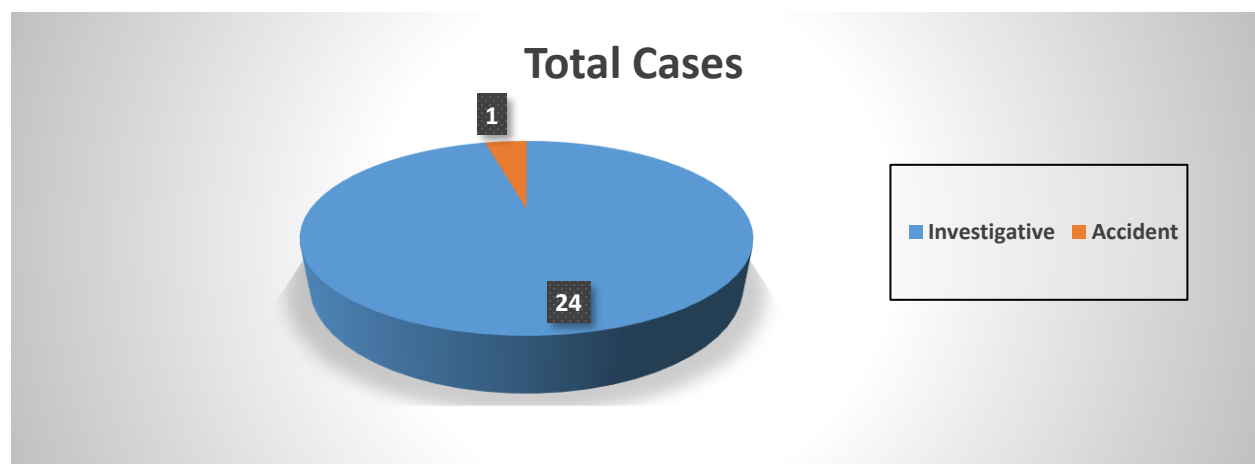
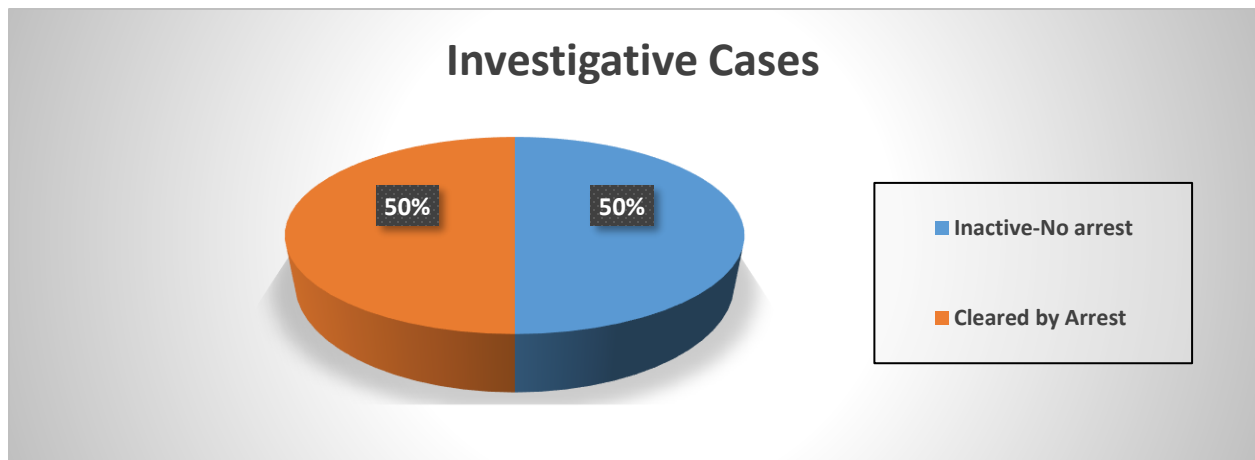
## Calls for Service

The total calls for service for the month of May were **327**. 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 **17** traffic stops.



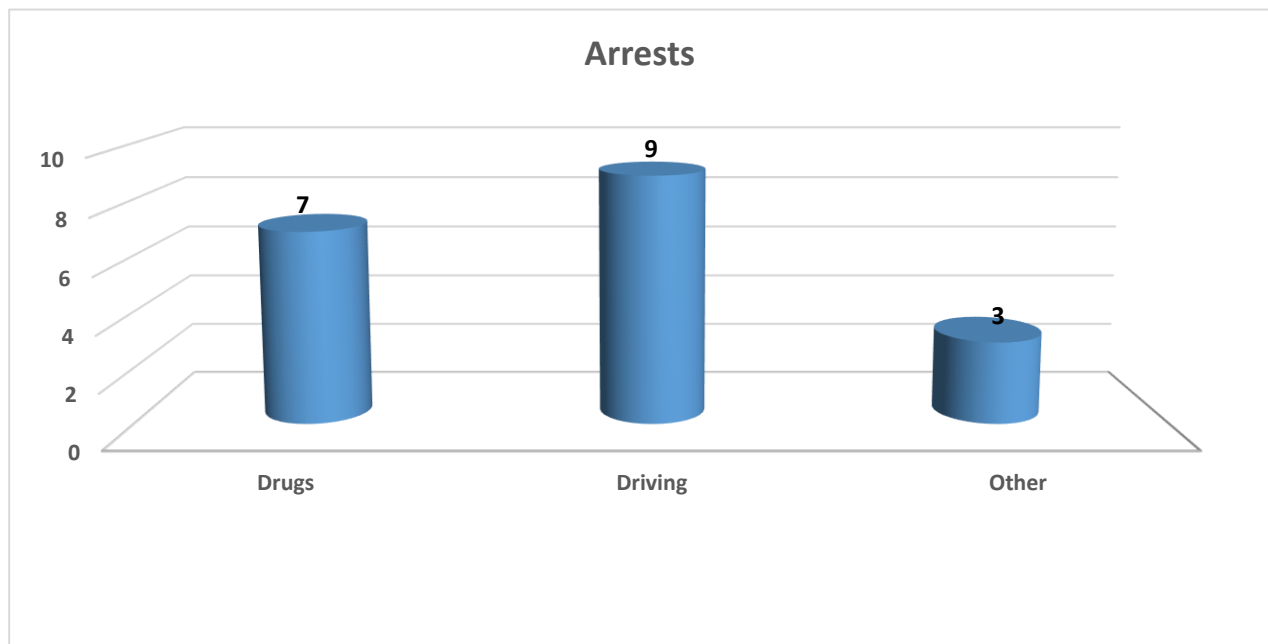
## Cases Made

The Police Department had **25** total cases during the month of May. **24** of the cases were investigative incident reports and **1** was a traffic crash. There is **1** active investigation from this month. There was a **50%** rate of cases cleared by arrest, for investigative cases in May.



## Arrests Made

The Police Department made **19** arrests and issued **9** citations and **49** warnings. Among those arrests, were **9** driving offenses, **4** were drug related offenses, and **3** were for other charges.



## Notable Incidents

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, a Polk City Police Officer was dispatched to a local construction site where a worker was reported to have been smoking marijuana while at work. An investigation revealed that the 29 year old male was in possession of about 3 grams of marijuana. He was charged with Possession of Marijuana.

On May 13<sup>th</sup>, a Polk City Police Officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle operated by a 24 year old male. The officer smelled the odor of marijuana emanating from the vehicle and an investigation resulted in the discovery of about a gram of marijuana rolled into a blunt that had been partially smoked. The male was charged with OWI-1<sup>st</sup> Offense (drug related) and Possession of Marijuana.

On May 29<sup>th</sup>, a Polk City Police Officer observed 2 motorcycles passing a car in a no-passing zone. The officer conducted a traffic stop on both motorcycles. One of motorcycles was operated by a 25 year old male who was found to have a barred driver's license. He was charged with Driving While License Barred.

On May 31<sup>st</sup>, a Polk City Police Officer was dispatched to the 300 block of Bennett Street for a report of a suspicious vehicle. The vehicle was located and found to be occupied by a 22 year old male and a 20 year old male. An investigation revealed that they had left Big Creek and decided to park on Bennett Street to smoke marijuana before continuing on their way. Approximately 2 grams of marijuana and some drug paraphernalia was recovered. Both males were charged with Possession of Marijuana.

## **In Service Training**

Officer Wilson recertified 2 officers on the use of the Taser X26P. All Polk City Police Officers are now current on their certifications for this tool.

## **Individual Officer Training**

Officer Delaney completed OC Spray (pepper spray) certification. This is a four hour class, concluding with the officer being directly sprayed in the face with the product. The training is designed to instruct officers on how, when and why to deploy OC spray and how to care for an offender after spraying them. In addition, the officer is exposed to the product so they understand the effectiveness of the product and to prepare them for the potential of an attacker using the product against them.

Officer Delaney completed another month of field training, which has been administered by Field Training Officer Lamfers. Officer Delaney is now taking online courses through the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy 40 hours a week.

**Training Hours: 8**

Lamfers	0
Untrauer	2
Aicher	2
Siepkner	0
Wilson	0
Aswegan	0
Delaney	4

*\*In addition to monthly in-service training and scheduled external trainings, officers conduct monthly on-line training through Police Legal Science, which keeps officers up-to-date on current case law.*

**Canine Program**

Officer Aicher and Eudoris were deployed **7** times in May. Five deployments were for narcotics, one for a burglary alarm at a local business, and one for a track of a felony suspect who fled from officers.

On May 4<sup>th</sup>, Officer Aicher and K9 Eudoris were requested to assist Johnston Police Officers in locating a suspect who had been cutting off catalytic converters from numerous vehicles. The officers had located the subject, but he fled. K9 Eudoris tracked the suspect for almost a mile over various terrain. K9 Eudoris did not specifically locate the suspect, but indicated to officers the general area where the suspect may be hiding. The suspect was eventually located in this area by officers and was taken into custody. The theft of catalytic converters has been a Des Moines Metro-wide problem and one that has also affected Polk City.

On May 15<sup>th</sup>, Polk City Police Officers were dispatched to a residence for a report of a drug overdose. An investigation revealed that an 18 year old male had overdosed on lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD), commonly referred to as “acid”. A dosage unit of LSD was located at the scene. K9 Eudoris was deployed as a part of the investigation and as a result THC Wax (a highly concentrated form of THC) and drug paraphernalia were recovered from the scene. No charges were filed due to the medical emergency causing this incident to fall under the “Good Samaritan Immunity” Statute.

On May 21<sup>st</sup>, Officer Aicher and K9 Eudoris were requested by the Clive Police Department to assist them with a traffic stop. K9 Eudoris was deployed on the vehicle and alerted to the presence of the odor of narcotics. A search resulted in the seizure of a dangerous weapon, methamphetamine smoking pipes, a digital scale and 7 grams of marijuana. Charges on one of the occupants were filed by the Clive Police Department.