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To: Honorable Mayor and Council Members

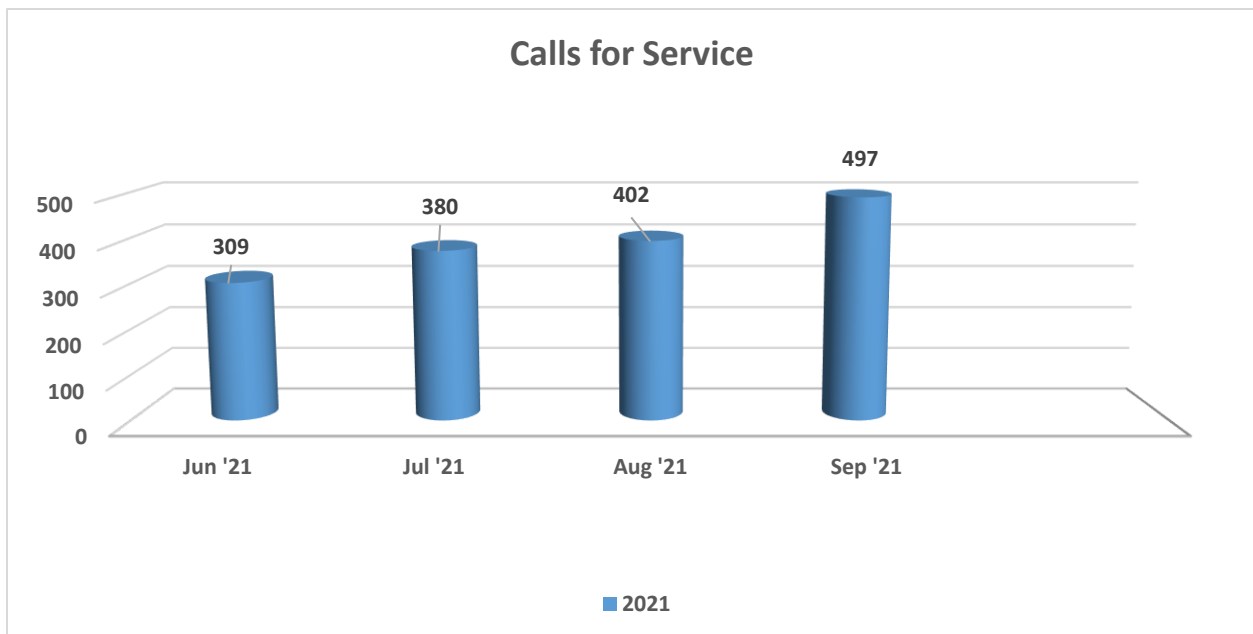
From: Lieutenant Aswegan

Date: October 11th, 2021

Re: September 2021 Monthly Report

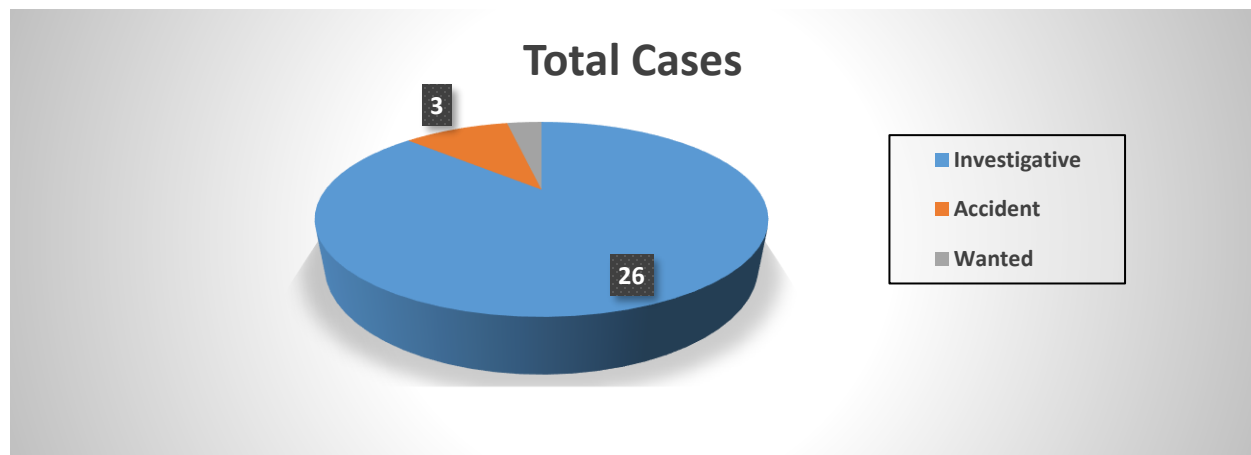
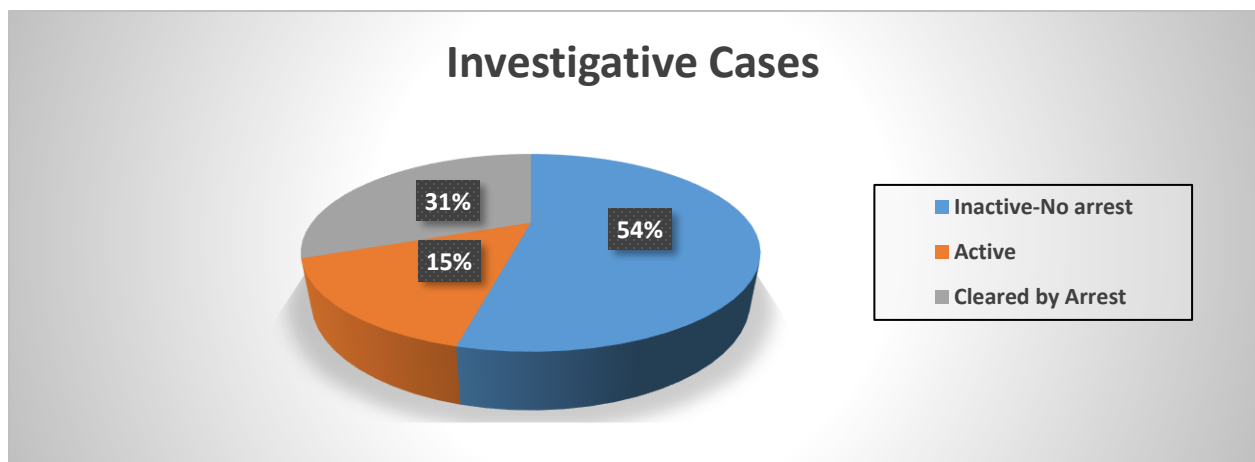
Calls for Service

The total calls for service for the month of July were **497**. 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 **186** traffic stops.



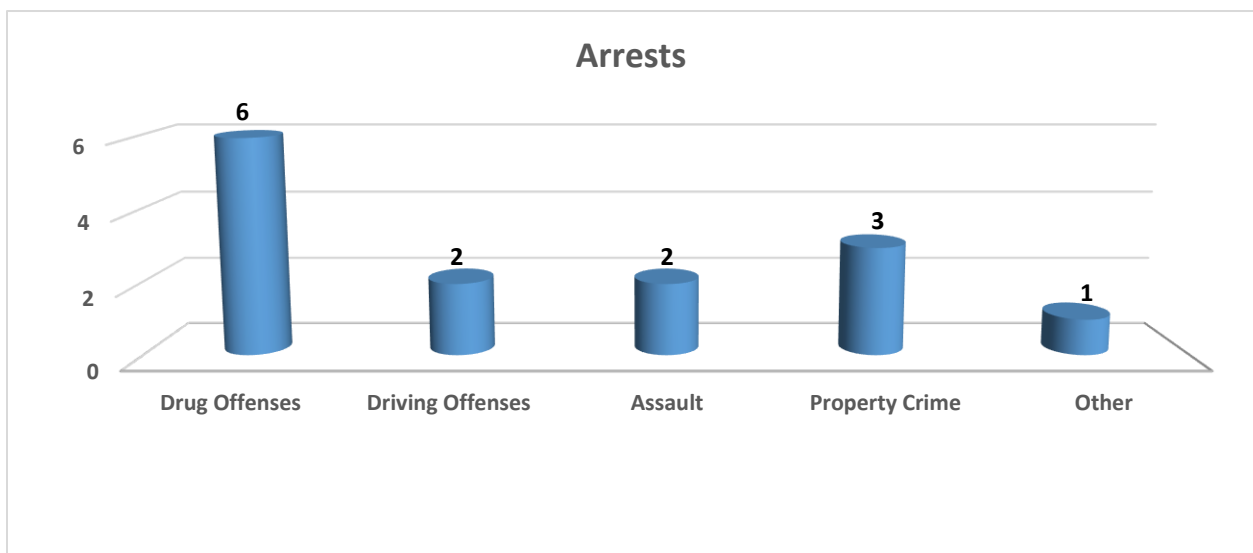
Cases Made

The Police Department had **30** total cases during the month of September. **26** of the cases were investigative incident reports, **1** was a wanted person and **3** were for traffic collisions. There are **4** active investigations from this month. There was a **31%** rate of cases cleared by arrest, for investigative cases in September.



Arrests Made

The Police Department made **14** arrests and issued **46** citations and **162** warnings. The arrests consisted of **6** arrests for drug offenses, **2** driving offenses (for Driving with a Suspended or Revoked License), **2** arrests for Assault, 3 for Property Crimes (theft) and **1** arrest for other offenses which was for a violation of city ordinances.



Notable Incidents

The investigation into numerous car burglaries occurring from July through August resulted in filing charges on a 19-year-old Des Moines man. On September 1st the Polk City Police department obtained arrest warrants on the suspect for charges stemming from the use of a burglary victim's credit cards. He was arrested by Norwalk Police Department on September 22nd. A Polk City Police Officer took custody of the subject from Norwalk Police and booked the subject into the Polk County jail for 2 counts of Unauthorized Use of Credit Card and one count of theft. The investigation into the car burglaries continues and additional charges may be filed on other suspects.

On September 24th, a Polk City Police Officer stopped a vehicle for expired registration. The driver was a 19-year-old Des Moines resident, who was found to not have a valid license. An investigation continued and a K9 was requested to respond. Ankeny PD K9 Boscoe and his handler arrived. Boscoe alerted to the odor of narcotics in the vehicle. A search resulted in the seizure of marijuana, drug paraphernalia, and an unknown white powder. The white powder was sent to the DCI lab for testing. The subject was charged with Possession of Marijuana and Drug Paraphernalia.

On September 27th, Polk City Police Officers were dispatched to a domestic disturbance in the 200 block of W. Grimes Street. An investigation revealed that a 28-year-old female was yelling at her boyfriend and assaulted him before fleeing the scene prior to law enforcement arrival. Arrest warrants were issued, and the subject was arrested a few days later when she went to court for an unrelated case.

Officer Training

On September 29th and 30th, Lt. Aswegan attended Sexual Assault Response and Investigation course hosted by the Iowa Attorney General's Office. The 2-day course focused on the dynamics of these sensitive investigations. Police Chief Jerald Monahan, current chief of Yavapai College and former Chief of Police of the Prescott, AZ Police Department presented on victim dynamics and investigatory practices. Chief Monahan is considered nationally as an expert in the field of Sex Assault investigations and is the law enforcement liaison for the End Violence Against Women International. A survivor of child sex abuse also presented on her experiences living as a survivor of this crime.

Officer Aicher and Eudoris conducted 16 hours of training in September. Training is a combination of time training at Canine Tactical in Chariton and time spent training locally. In addition to on-going obedience training, Officer Aicher and Eudoris trained in obedience while in the water, tracking a suspect, narcotics detection, and conducting a search for an article.

In-Service Training

In-Service training in September included training at Olofson's Shooting Range with department issued patrol rifles. The officers engaged in exercises designed to maintain proficiency in deploying a patrol rifle against a deadly force threat.

Training Hours: 52

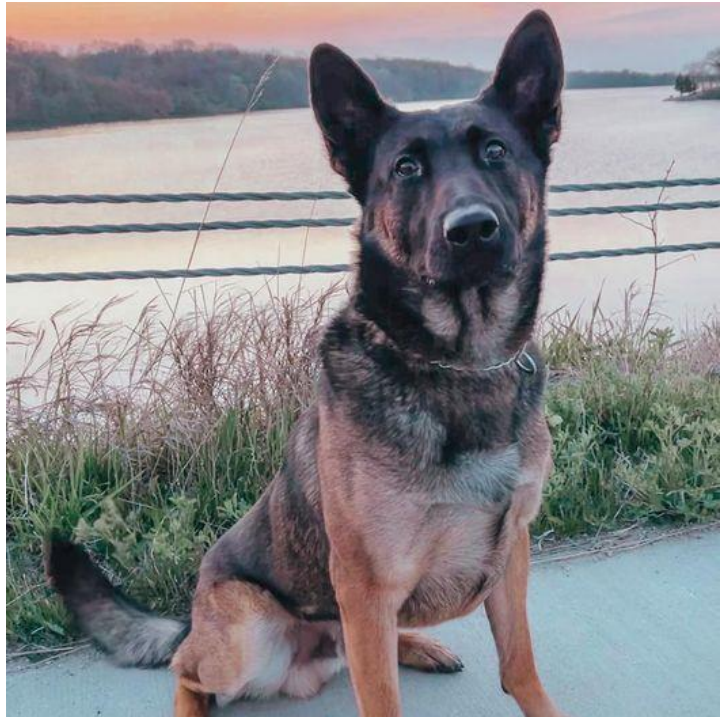
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Canine Program

Officer Aicher and Eudoris were deployed two times in September. Both deployments were for narcotics detection.

On September 12th, Eudoris was deployed for narcotics detection on a traffic stop in Polk City. Eudoris alerted to the odor of narcotics in the vehicle. A probable cause search was conducted, but no drugs were found.



On September 17th, Eudoris was deployed to assist the West Des Moines Police Department on a traffic stop. Eudoris alerted to the odor of narcotics in the vehicle. A probable cause search was conducted resulting in a small amount of marijuana found.

Community Outreach

Polk City Police Officers took part in the RVTV event on September 6th in town. We had our outreach tent erected on the square where officers interacted with community members by answering questions and handing out public safety materials.



Municipal Code Enforcement

In July 2021 the Police Department took over Municipal Code Enforcement to address most nuisance abatement and municipal infractions.

Violations include junk and junk vehicles, noise control, animal protection and control, solid waste control, dangerous buildings, trees, weeds, and off-street parking.

To report a possible code violation residents can go to the Police Department website and complete the Violation Complaint Form and submit via e-mail.

The Police Department addressed 17 Municipal Code infractions in the month of August.