



Town of Waterford, Connecticut, Police Commission Meeting Agenda

Training Room at the Waterford Police Department

11/12/2024 5:00 pm

Call to order and establish quorum:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Public input:

Acceptance of minutes: October 15, 2024 Regular Meeting

Correspondence:

- a. Thank You letter from Patti L. Burmahl, Board of Directors Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation
- b. Thank You letter from Way Hedding, Race Director, Ocean Beach Kelly Half Marathon
- c. Thank You letter from Terry Wheeler, Assistant Director, Senior Services

Presentation of the Meritorious Service Award to Officers T. Krysztofiak and N. Surdo

Traffic Commission Review:

Chief's Report:

- a. K9 Reports for October
- b. Youth Report for October
- c. Investigative Services Report for October
- d. Training Report for October
- e. Support Services Report for October
- f. Patrol Report for October
- g. Animal Control Report for October
- h. Community Engagement Report for October

Old Business:

- a. Recording of Commission Meetings

New Business:

- a. Route 85 at Cross Road Development Intersection Changes
- b. Retirement Commission Appointment



MINUTES
BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS
October 15, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioner C. Gamble, Commissioner M. Gelinas, Commissioner T. Sheridan, Commissioner J. Dimmock via phone

ABSENT: Commissioner R. Brule

DEPARTMENT: Chief M. Balestracci, LT N. VanOverloop, LT D. Ferland, LT P. Flanagan, Officer M. Sylvestre, Traffic Officer M. Devine,

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM:

Commissioner Gamble called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. in the General Meeting Room of the Waterford Police Department. A Quorum was established.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC INPUT:

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gamble and seconded by Commissioner Gelinas to accept the minutes from the August 12, 2024 Regular Meeting. Commissioners Dimmock and Sheridan abstained. Motion passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence was reviewed.

TRAFFIC COMMISSION REVIEW:

Traffic report was received.

Chief Balestracci requested a discussion regarding incorrect signage located on Spithead Road, Ellen Ward Road and North Road be added to New Business. Request was approved.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

- a. K9 Reports for September
September report was received.
- b. Youth Reports for September
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OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Recording Commission Meetings – No new information to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Review of 2025 Meeting Schedule

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Sheridan and seconded by Commissioner Dimmock to approve the 2025 BOPC Meeting Schedule. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Chief Balestracci explained that there is currently inaccurate signage prohibiting all truck traffic on Spithead Road, Ellen Ward Road and North Road. This signage prevents trucks that are delivering goods or services to residents from accessing these roads. The Connecticut Department of Transportation actually designated these roads as “No Thru Trucks” roadways. Chief Balestracci proposed replacing the current signs with “No Thru Truck” signs, which are the intended signs for these roads.

Chief also requested the he “be able to confer with members of the of the Department of Public Works to have the locations at the approved intersections be evaluated for better placement of the signs to make them more visible, and be open to adding additional “No Thru Truck” signs if it is deemed appropriate based on lines of sight and proper warning prior to entering the roadway”.

MOTION: Motion made by Commissioner Sheridan and Seconded by Commissioner Dimmock to approve Chief Balestracci’s proposal regarding the replacement, and possible relocation and addition, for accurate signage at the roads and intersections listed below:

- Route 1 (Boston Post Road) @ Spithead Road
- Route 1 (Boston Post Road) @ Ellen Ward Road
- Route 156 (Rope Ferry Road) @ North Road
- Route 156 (Rope Ferry Road) @ Spithead Road

Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Made by Commissioner Gamble and Seconded by Commissioner Dimmock to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by:



Diane E. Driscoll
Recording Secretary



**TERRI
BRODEUR**
BREAST
CANCER
FOUNDATION

Celebrating our 18th Anniversary as a Foundation

"Funding saves lives. Discoveries in the lab save lives. Funding from the Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation jumpstarted my career." ~ Dr. Priscilla Brastianos, Director of the Central Nervous System Metastasis Program at Massachusetts General Hospital-Harvard Medical School, an American Association for Cancer Research "NextGen Star," and a TBBCF research grant recipient.

November 1, 2024

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Waterford Police Department
Chief Marc Balestracci
41 Avery Lane
Waterford, CT 06385

Dear Chief Balestracci,

On behalf of the Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation, I wanted to thank you and the Waterford Police department for your assistance and support at our 19th Annual Walk for a Cure held on Saturday, October 5th.

Having Sergeant Andrew Farrior help our walkers cross Rope Ferry Road to Gardiners Wood Road was so helpful. This is a spot where all 300 walkers walk through and they are usually tired by this point. Seeing Sergeant Farrior and having his support for the walkers means so much (not to mention keeping them safe!).

In addition, Officer Fredericks and Officer Hodges stopped by at closing ceremonies at Camp Harkness to greet the walkers and their families – Officer Hodges is always a fan favorite (okay, so is Officer Fredericks!).

With heartfelt thanks and appreciation for helping us find a cure for breast cancer by supporting our big fundraising event!!

With sincere thanks,

Patti L. Burmahl

Patti L. Burmahl
Board of Directors

OCEAN BEACH PARK

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Waterford Police Department
41 Avery Lane
Waterford, Ct. 06385
Attn; Traffic Control Officer, Mark Devine,

Dear Race Friends, Traffic Control Officer,

The 62nd Annual Ocean Beach / John & Jessie Kelley Half Marathon was held on Saturday, August 3rd. The success of the race was due in part to great sponsors like you. This year's race drew a record field (over 1,000 runners). The safety of the runners on the course is always the primary concern. The Race Committee would like to thank you, the Waterford Police Department, and the Town of Waterford for all your contributions to the race. You and your excellent staff are always there to make sure everything goes smoothly. This is a great event, and we hope to have your support again next year. Without contributions like yours this FREE race would not have existed for the past 62 years.

Thanks Again,


Way Hedding
Race Director

The Race Committee received a letter thanking the runners, race volunteers, sponsors, and the community for this very generous support of our Gemma E. Moran United Way/Labor Food Center. We collected 3,045 pounds of much needed nutritious food on race day morning. I know Gemma is smiling down at us from above, God bless all of you. We look forward to this event every year and are very grateful!

In October the Ocean Beach Kelley Half Marathon was again selected by N.E. Editors as "Best of the Best New England Road Races". This would not have been possible without your continued dedicated support for this Summertime Tradition!

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PHONE: 860-442-0553
www.waterfordct.org

October 18, 2024

Mark Devine
41 Avery Ln.
Waterford, CT 06385

Dear Mark,

On behalf of Waterford Senior Services I would like to thank you for taking the time to speak at our Lunch and Learn on Driving and Dementia. As you know this is never an easy topic for anyone to discuss but the seniors that attended were able to come away with valuable information. We know that the Waterford Police are dedicated to assisting Waterford senior residents in any way possible and know that the seniors value the times when you come to the center.

Once again thank you and we look forward to having you at the center again soon!

Sincerely,

Terry Wheeler
Assistant Director Senior Services

Thank you!



The Waterford Police Department

Traffic Officer Report

October 2024



LINE OF SIGHT ISSUES:

10/09/2024 Milton Rd @ Old Norwich. Request for concave mirror. Resident was advised they are no longer supported for installation per DOT and Public Works. Public works assisted in clearing some saplings and brush to allow for a better line of sight.

DOT RELATED ISSUES.

- DOT finished replacing signage at the following town road intersections; Vauxhall St. Ext. @ Douglas Lane; Vauxhall St. @ Frontage Road; Clark Lane @ Fog Plain Rd/ Chester Rd.; Old Colchester Rd @ Bloomingdale Rd.; Kenyon Rd. @ Vauxhall St. Ext.
- Traffic Light issues reported early in the month at Willets Ave and Route 1, light was checked and no recent complaints

PARKING COMPLAINTS:

- Windy Ridge Parking complaints and proposed resolution.

ENFORCEMENT RELATED COMPLAINTS:

- Speeding complaint on Willets near Planet Fitness Entrance
- Complaint of speeding on Avery Lane prior to the curve. Speed sign placed prior to the curve for Southbound traffic.
- Multiple complaints of speeding on Daniels Ave. were received after a traffic crash at the intersection on Daniels and Niantic River Road. Speed signs were placed and traffic was monitored.

REQUESTS FOR SIGNS OR CHANGE OF ROADWAY FEATURES:

- Stop sign ahead sign added to Daniels Ave. prior to the intersection with Niantic River Road. Also working with homeowners in the area to trim some trees/bushes to improve line of sight prior to the intersection.
- Change to the parking signs on Windy Ridge Pl. currently "No Parking Anytime", request change to "No Parking Beyond this Point" or something similar, to allow guest parking.

SPEED TRAFFIC SIGN DEPLOYMENT:

The two solar powered speed signs have remained in place at the below listed locations.

1. Niantic River Rd. in the area of Old Niantic River Rd, facing southbound traffic. The data shows that vehicle traffic during the month of October 2024 was at or below the speed limit approximately 12% of the time. Approximately 74% of the vehicles were traveling between 31 to 40. Leaving the remaining roughly 14% traveling at 41 mph or higher.
2. Great Neck Road near Goshen Rd, in front of Great Neck School. The data shows that vehicle traffic during the month of October 2024 was at or below the speed limit approximately 31% of the time. Approximately 60% of the vehicles were traveling between 26 to 35. Leaving the remaining roughly 9% traveling at 36 mph or higher.



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October 2024



Battery powered speed feedback signs were placed at the following locations:

1. A battery power speed feedback sign was placed on Avery Lane October 25 to October 28, facing southbound traffic at the curve. 13% of vehicles were under 25mph; 71% from 25-35 mph and 16% were over 36 mph. The speed limit is 25 mph.
2. A battery powered speed feedback sign was placed on Spithead Rd. at Ina Blvd facing southbound traffic from October 17 to October 28. 47% of vehicles were at 30 mph or below, 50% were from 31-40 mph, and 3% were 41 or more mph. The speed limit is 30 mph.
3. A battery powered speed feedback sign was placed on Spithead Rd. near Memory Ln. facing northbound traffic from October 17 to October 28. 30% of vehicles were at 30 mph or below, 64% were from 31-40 mph, and 6% were 41 or more mph. The speed limit is 30 mph.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

November events

1. Mikes Harley Davidson 45th Annual Gift (Motorcycle) Run; November 3, 2024
2. Waterford High School Turkey Trot 5k; November 12, 2024

December events

1. Pearl Harbor Memorial Race; December 8, 2024

MESSAGE BOARD DEPLOYMENTS:

Dates	Location	Message
10/08/2024 to 10/31/2024	Route 1 @ Willets Ave	Pull up to Stop Line; To Cycle Traffic Light
10/01/2024 to 10/31/2024	Miner Ln @ High School Entrance	WHS Speed Limit 15 mph; Watch for Pedestrians

Additional Activities:

1. Presentation on Dementia and Driving (Devine)
2. Firearms training (Diogo and Devine)

UPCOMING ROAD CONSTRUCTION WITH CLOSURE:

No large projects anticipated

TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT:

Officer	Devine #88	Diogo #95	Combined
Infractions	11	269	280
Written warnings	11	76	87
misdemeanor	0	10	10



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K-9 Activity Report

October 2024

K-9 Ozzy

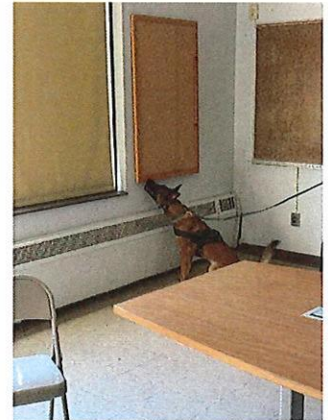
Monthly Uses: 8

2024 Uses: 35

K-9 Tico

Monthly Uses: 5

2024 Uses: 36



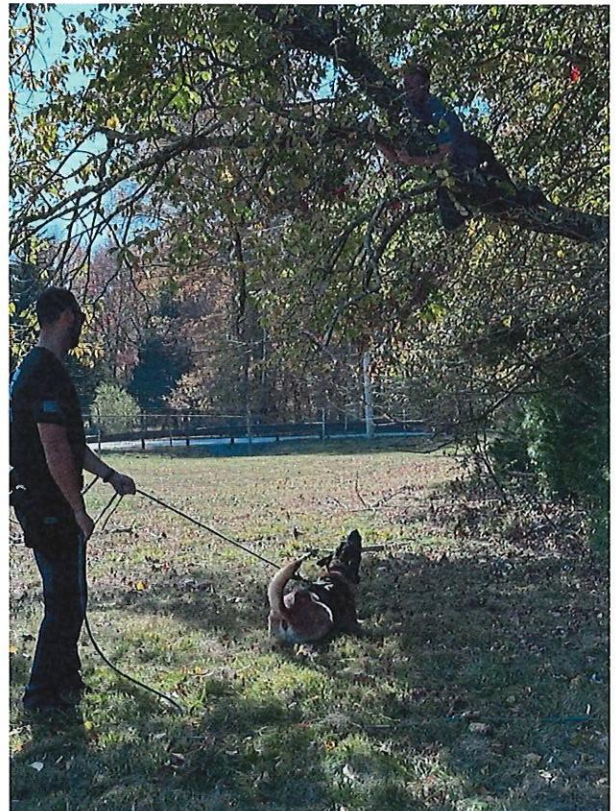
K-9 Usage

Ozzy

- ◆ K9 Ozzy and Off. Genung assisted in 3 different mutual aid usages. One being a search for a missing person, the second assisting in the apprehension of a wanted suspect and the third in an article search for a firearm involved in a shooting.
- ◆ K9 Ozzy and Off. Genung participated in a K9 demo for Harvest Fest at the Waterford Town Beach.

Tico

- ◆ K9 Tico and Off. Surdo were requested to assist in an article search to recover items from car breaks. K9 Tico was successful in locating items that belonged to the victims of car breaks.
- ◆ K9 Tico and Off. Surdo assisted in a K9 demo for Harvest Fest at the Waterford Town Beach.



Monthly Training

- ◆ Monthly K-9 training was conducted on 10/8/24 and 10/22/24 in obedience, tracking, article search, building search, area search, narcotics detections, and apprehension work.



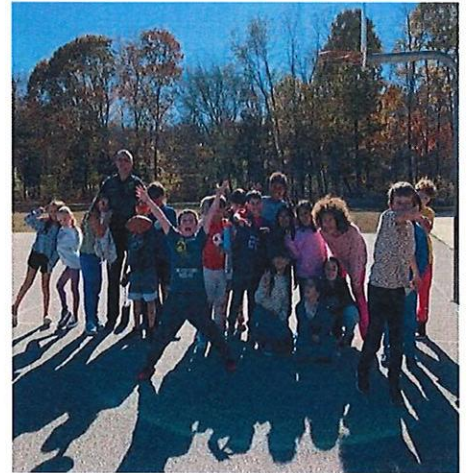
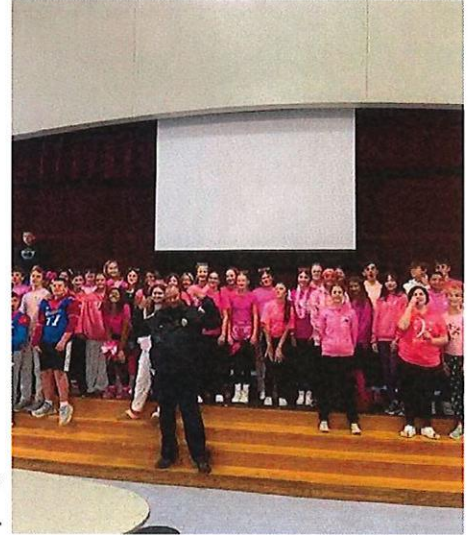
THE WATERFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Youth Office Activity Report



October 2024

- ♦ SRO Lane, SRO Winters, and Officer Fredericks were busy in the month of October teaching numerous Youth Promise classes in the elementary schools.
- ♦ SRO Lane conducted a home visit on Boston Post RD to assist CLMS admin with a truancy issue.
- ♦ SRO Lane and SRO Malbaurn attended a school safety meeting as well as a Critical Threat Assessment meeting.
- ♦ On October 3rd Board of Education staff noticed two suspicious males in the wood line at WHS. Off. Malbaurn responded to the scene, identified the subjects, and took appropriate action to move them away from school grounds.
- ♦ SRO Winters helped mediate a verbal altercations b/w parents at Great Neck School.
- ♦ SRO Malbaurn closed out a hate speech case and sent the final report to Connecticut State Police Detective Chen at the hate crime unit.
- ♦ SRO Winters assisted Principal Discordia on a child neglect case / DCF referral on a Quaker Hill student.



Month at a Glance

- 1 – Home Visits
- 2 - CAD Report
- 3– Case Reports
- 0— Arrests

SROs Lane, Malbaurn and Winters continue to meet and talk with students on a daily basis for school, personal, and social related topics in an effort to develop lasting relationships b/w the department and the youth in our community.



THE WATERFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Investigative Services Division



October 2024

In the month of October 2024 the Investigative Services Division worked or assisted with 33 investigations.

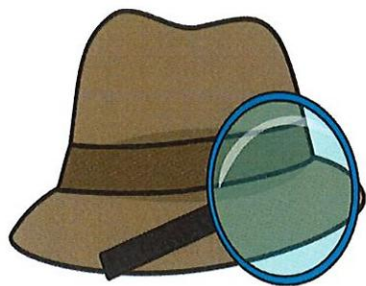
Current Active Investigations (23 Cases):

(These numbers do not include assist's to the Patrol Division)

Homicide—1	Pistol Permits—8
Burglary—1	JV Sex Assault—1
Larceny—1	Narcotics—1
ID Theft—1	Shots Fired—1
Risk of Injury—1	Untimely—5
Jewelry Store Grab—1	Skimmer—1

Year to Date Statistical Report

Case Numbers	Search Warrants	Background Checks	Arrests	Sex Assaults	
83	9	8	16	14	
Ex-Parte's	Auto Theft	Burglary	Unattended Deaths	Robbery	
0	0	1	17	0	



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Investigative Services Division



October 2024

October 2024 Updates:

Detective Bonkowski continued to attend the two semester course, Scientific Evidence at the University of Rhode Island.

Investigative Services set up a working station for intern Juliana Giortzakos to receive an introduction to collecting and processing evidence during a two hour block. Intern Giortzakos will be with us again in November 2024 for another block of time.

Investigative Services followed up on four (4) Weapons Compliance Orders forwarded to us by the court in regards to individuals being ordered to turn their firearms over to the Waterford Police Department for safe keeping until the conclusion of their cases. All individuals were compliant in this request.

October 2024 Investigations:

After a months long investigation lead by Detective Bonkowski in regards to a report of drug activity from a residence on Clark Lane, Investigative Services assisted by patrol, conducted a search warrant on the residence. As a result of the search warrant illegal drugs as well as money and related materials were seized. A male resident of the home was arrested for distributing and possessing the illegal drugs along with a female companion. The male was evicted by the state from the residence the next day.

Investigative Services responded to 17 Pine Street for a report of a women succumbing to her injuries after falling into a collapsed well in her yard. The investigation determined that the death was accidental.

Investigator Zaldivar responded to a fatal drug overdoses at 39 Miner Avenue of an adult male. This case is still under investigation.

Investigative Services responded to the death of an adult male by suicide at 34 Millers Pond Road. The case is under further investigation though deemed not suspicious.

Detective Carroll responded to the Piercing Pagoda located within the Crystal Mall, 850 Hartford Road for a report of a burglary over night. Upon arrival it was discovered that the jewelry cases were broken into resulting in an estimated \$125,000 larceny of jewelry. The suspect left DNA in the form of blood on the scene which was then processed as evidence using rapid DNA resulting in a suspect match. This case is under further investigation.

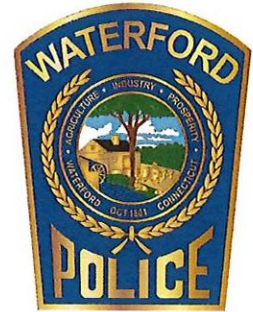
Investigative Services has also begun a new investigation into an anonymous and credible report of drug activity from a residence in the south end of town. This case will progress in the upcoming month.

Detective O'Connell assisted patrol in a case regarding a male reportedly video taping a female during a consensual sexual exchange without her knowledge. The female was concerned as she had been informed by a third party that the video had been disseminated to others without the female's permission. It was discovered that this was false and there was no evidence of a video ever being recorded.



TRAINING REPORT

OCTOBER 2024



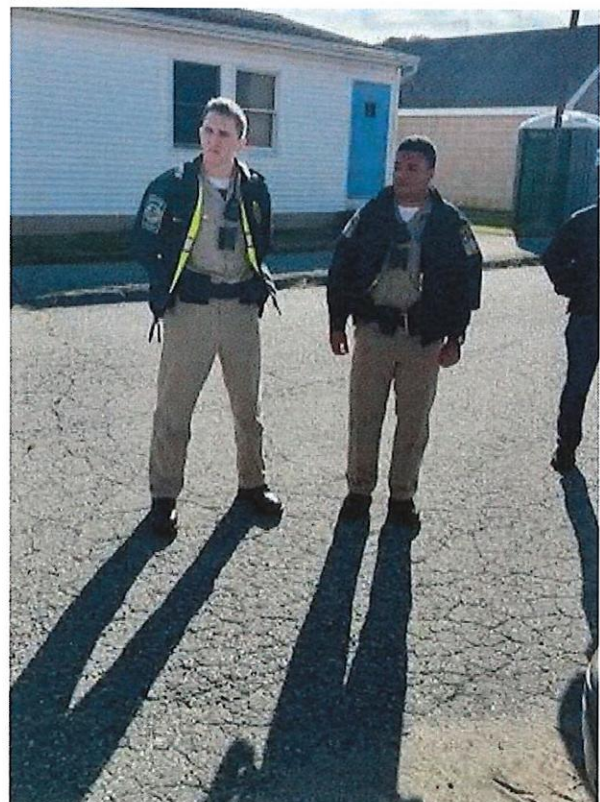
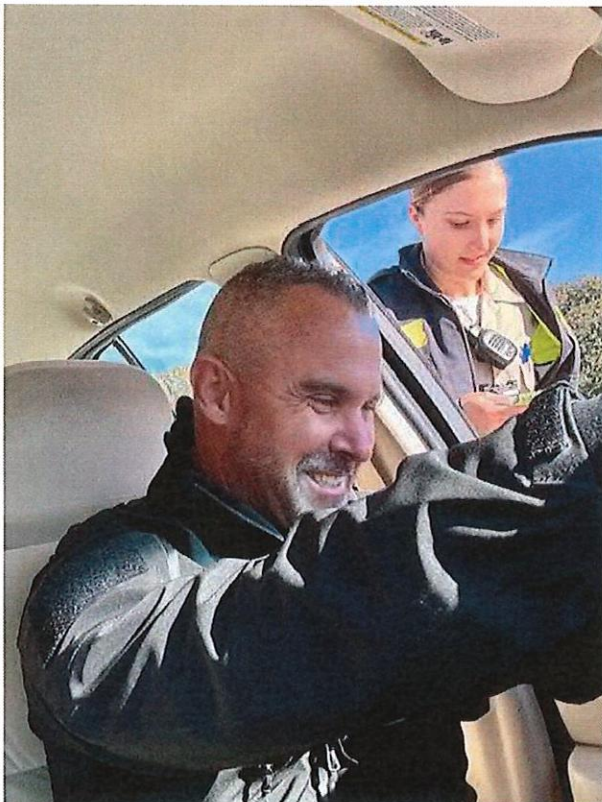
New Officer Updates

Hiring Process: The Waterford Police Department continues its efforts in recruiting and hiring. Training is continuing with the new hiring process to fill two current vacancies.

Recruit Status: Recruit Dylan Luce and Recruit Tanner Suplita successfully completed all field training requirements and were certified by the Police Officers Standards Training Council.

Recruit Boxley completed her twenty fifth week at the City of New Britain Police Department Satellite Basic Recruit Academy.

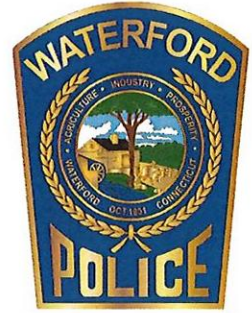
Recruit Maselli and Recruit Abram completed their tenth week at the Eastern Regional Police Academy hosted by the Law Enforcement Council of Connecticut.





TRAINING REPORT

OCTOBER 2024



Our firearms instructors completed rifle qualifications for the officers that carry rifles here at the Waterford Police Department. This is an annual requirement required by the Police Officers Standards Training Council.

Officer Genung went to Tennessee to partake in the North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA) 2024 Tennessee State Workshop. This workshop is required for Officer Genung to get enough training hours to become a master trainer for police K9s.

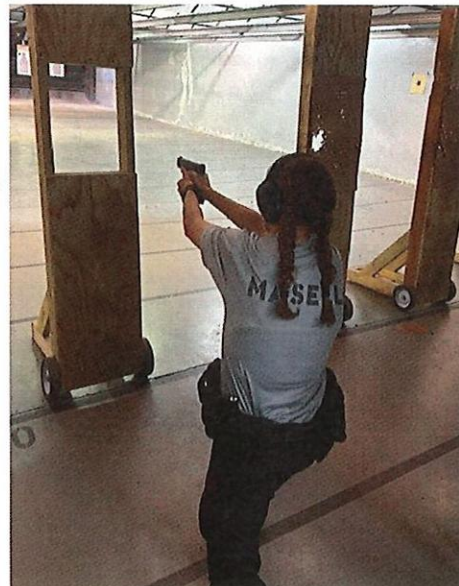
Training was completed at our firearms range for transitioning officers over to the new pistols with the red dot optics that we received.

Officer Winakor attended a week long recertification training hosted by the Law Enforcement Council. This is a requirement in order for officers to receive their police recertification every three years.

Lieutenant Flanagan, SRO Winters, SRO Malbourn, and SRO Lane attended an online training offered by The United States Secret Service titled National Threat Assessment Center Guidance to Prevent Targeted Violence. This training offered a six step framework for law enforcement agencies to use in order to proactively identify and intervene with those who display threatening or concerning behaviors in their communities.

Officer Barrows, Officer Colkos, and Sergeant Nickerson attended a four day Basic Crime Scene Procedure training. This training was meant for patrol officers and detectives. It went over proper procedures from the initial arrival on scene, to determining which evidence to process on scene, and which evidence to collect for processing at headquarters. This training also covered crime scene photography.

Firearms instructors went to various firearms trainings at the New Britain Police Department Satellite Basic Recruit Academy and the Eastern Regional Police Academy. The firearms instructors assisted in training our recruits who are at those academies.





Support Services Report

October 2024



Records Activity

FOI Requests	169	-1%
Warrants	33	32%
Phone Calls	155	7%
Walk in Assists	166	2%
Background Checks	9	29%
Protective Orders	20	-56%
Officer Tasking Requests	64	-3%
Case Erasures	282	0%
DCF Requests	21	-5%
Court Requests	12	-25%
Abstracts	402	2%
Video Requests	21	11%

- * “Crime Spotter”, which recently began requesting all monthly data, started showing Waterford calls on their map. Many of the icons and titles are not consistent with the actual call type, for example Pistol Permits show as “Shooting” and Burglar Alarm show as “Burglary”.
- * Records completed a significant FOI request for the ACO for a request of annual statistics for animal calls and enforcement.
- * The CSOs covered 90 shifts during the month, equating to over 682.5 hours of shift coverage.
- * The 2 new CSOs completed their training during the month of October and are now working shifts independently.

CSO Activity

Adult Arrests	24
Juvenile Arrests	1
Firearms Transfers	22
Pistol Permits Issued	2
Walk In Complaints	22

Fingerprints

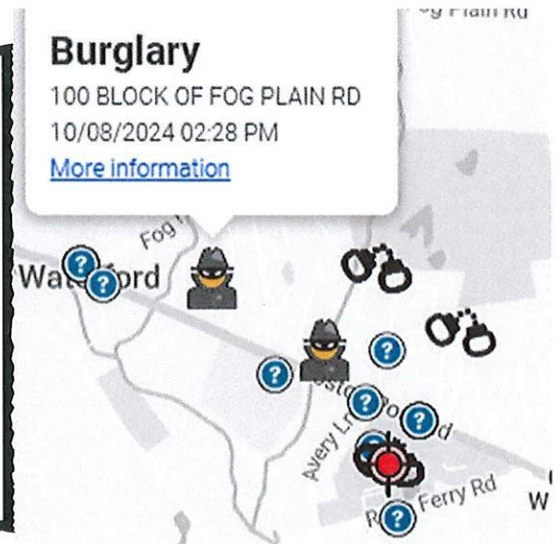
Pistol Permits	15
Employment	17
Miscellaneous	2
Peddler/Precious Permits	1
Total Fingerprints	35

Burglary

100 BLOCK OF FOG PLAIN RD

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Patrol Report

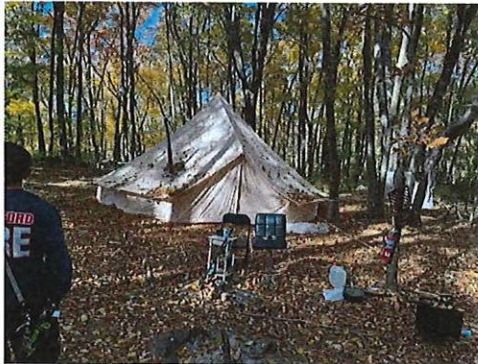
Commissioners Activity Report

October 2024



DV Incident: Leads to Arrest by Warrant

On October 12, 2024 Evening Shift responded to the area of the Waterford Commons for an evading MVACC. Upon arrival, Officers located the evading vehicle a short distance away. A female passenger reported her boyfriend threatened to kill both of them, intentionally struck another car after running a red light, had punched her, and spit on her. The male suspect, who had numerous warrants then fled on foot. After a lengthy K9 track the suspect was not located. Off. Winakor prepared a warrant and the suspect was later charged with numerous motor vehicle and criminal charges.



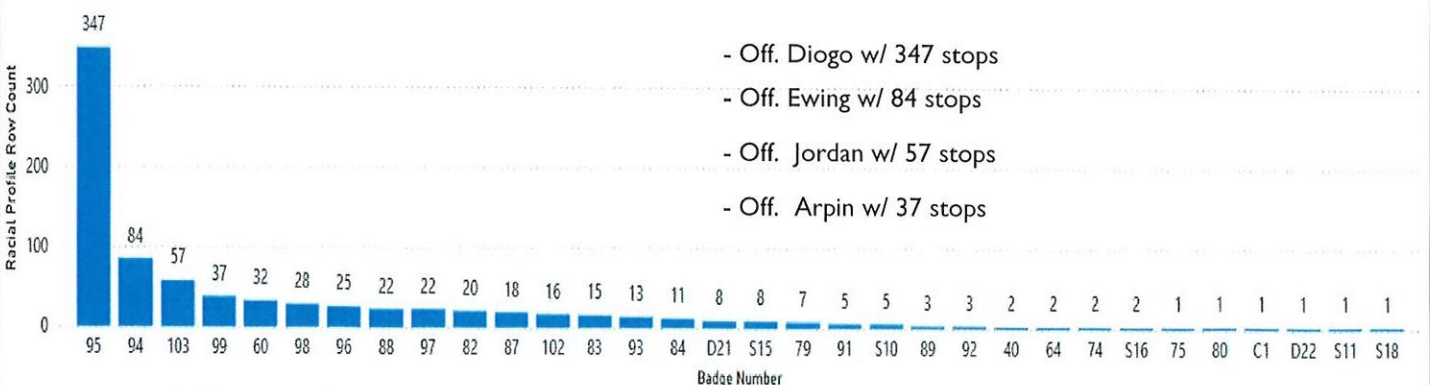
Homeless Camps Located in Waterford

Throughout the month of October, the patrol division, working in collaboration with the New London Homeless Hospitality Center (NLHHC), Waterford Family Services, and Connecticut DOT, has been actively working to safely rehome and remove several homeless camps located on State property between RTE 85 and I-95. The agencies have been working to provide services as need be and also with a contractor to clean up the sites.

Patrol Calls for Service Monthly Snap Shot:

Total Service Calls	2844
Case Numbers	154
Arrests	92
Juvenile Arrests	3
Larcenies	42
Arrest Warrants	8
Domestic Violence Investigations	16
Traffic Crash	58
DUI Investigations	2
EDP / Welfare	36
School Checks	105
Motor Vehicle Stops	801
Written Warnings	318
Infractions	351
Verbal Warnings	100
Misdemeanor	27
Other	4

Traffic Stops by Officer





Trespasser Arrested at Local Business

On 10/4/24 a subject was located sleeping in the vestibule at a business on Boston Post RD. The subject, who was determined to be homeless, was in possession of a bottle of alcohol. He was issued a citation for Simple Trespass and Possession of Alcohol by a minor. Several days later on 10/6/24 the same subject was found sleeping in the same business. This time the subject was taken into custody and charged with Criminal Trespass First Degree. The suspect was processed and held on a \$500.00 cash/surety bond until his arraignment on 10/7/24.

Traffic Stop Leads to Arrest of Subject with 10 Warrants

On 10/2/24 Off. Ewing conducted a traffic stop on RTE 32 for a vehicle traveling with a defective front head lamp. After stopping the vehicle and detecting signs of narcotic activity, Off. Ewing ran the operator and passengers in the vehicle through the NCIC Collect system. One of the rear passengers was found to have nine PRAWN warrants and one hardcopy warrant held by the Hartford Police Department. The suspect was taken into custody and held on bond (\$416,500) until her arraignment at New London Superior Court.

Arrest Made After Attempts Were Made to Cash Fraudulent Check

On August 27, 2024 Off. McComic responded to Chelsea Groton Bank (157 Boston Post RD) for a report of a male attempting to cash a fraudulent check. After taking a detailed statement from bank personnel and reaching out to the victim (Mystic Aquarium) it was determined that the check was in fact altered and fraudulent. Off. McComic spent time obtaining the pertinent evidentiary documents from representatives of the Mystic Aquarium. An arrest warrant was applied for and granted by a judge at the New London Superior Court. On October 23, 2024 the suspect was located and charged with Forgery in the Third Degree and Criminal Attempt to Commit Larceny in the Fourth Degree.



In the Community Interest





THE WATERFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Animal Control Report



October 2024

- ♦ On 10/9/2024 ACO Ryan took a Safe Handling of Reptiles & Exotics class for Animal Control Officers. The class was a hands on training with venomous snakes frequently found in Connecticut, as well as other animals the ACOs may encounter.
- ♦ The ACOs, along with Percy, participated in several community events to expand on valuable public relations they have with the community. They participated in Coffee with a Cop, Blessing of the Animals, Safe Futures Walk, and several visits to schools and the hospital.



The Day Login
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**'Oddball' East Lyme
comfort dog ready to
dish out puppy love**



	Waterford	East Lyme
Calls for Service	80	52
After Hour Call Outs	2	2
Tickets Issued	1	0
Warnings Issued	1	0
Dog Bites	2	3
Animals Redeemed	10	4
Animals Adopted	2	7
Animals DOA	0	0
Euthanized	0	0
Total Processed	15	13
Money Taken In	\$230	\$740
Donations	\$40	\$235

"Speaking for those who have no voice"



THE WATERFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT



Community Engagement Report October 2024

Internships: Intern Juliana Giortzakos shadowed Dispatch, SRO Malbourn, CSO Hunt, Traffic Officer Devine, Investigative Services and all three patrol shifts. She attended Rifle Qualifications. She assisted at Harvest Festival and two Trunk or Treat Events.

K-9 Officer Hodges: Attended a Yale Student Wellness Event. Visited multiple Groton Schools after the untimely death of a student. Visited Groton Solstice Senior Living and Norwich Superior Court. Visited Lawrence & Memorial Hospital multiple times after the untimely death of an employee. Conducted a K-9 Demo at Ledyard High School.

Coffee with a Cop: Organized an event where first responders and citizens can have causal conversations at Target for National Coffee with a Cop Day. Attended Groton Town Police and New London Police's Coffee with a Cop Events.



Interaction with Senior Services: Held a Crime Prevention Class at the AHEPA Apartments and Safe Driving Presentation at the WTFD Community Center.

Interaction with Youth Services: Presented at the CT Youth Services Association Summit about the Youth Promise Program.

Assistance to Youth Officers: Spoke about traffic stop safety at Rae's Driving School. Spoke at all three Waterford Elementary Schools for Youth Promise. Visited Lakes Pond Baptist Academy. Attended the Waterford Country School Car Show.

Seasonal Events: Attended the Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation Walk, the SafeFutures Walk, and two Trunk or Treat Events. Organized WPD's participation (bicycle helmet giveaways K-9 Demo, and touch-a-truck) at WTFD Harvest Festival. Organized Carelot Daycare to visit the police department for trick or treat.

Officer Wellness: Taught Gracie Survival Tactics at LEC Police Academy.

Recruiting: Attended the Waterford High School Job Fair. Held a recruitment session at Mitchell College.

Domestic Violence Follow-ups: Conducted 3 follow-ups with DV victims.

Rotary Club: Attended monthly meeting.

Special Olympics Efforts: Organized an award presentation to Waterford LongHorn Steakhouse for them holding three Tip-A-Cop events. Attended a Waterford Unified Tournament.