

BERLIN BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Meeting on March 17, 2021

Board of Education Conference Room at 6:30 PM

Agenda

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Call to Order

A. **Pledge of Allegiance**

B. **Audience of Citizens**

C. **Approval of Minutes**

1. February 17, 2021

D. **Correspondence (Commission)**

E. **Review Reports**

1. Youth Officer
2. Training for department members
3. Budget (Monthly – YTD) 2020 - 2021

F. **Traffic Matters**

1. Motor Vehicle Enforcement Actions
2. Crash List Comparison
3. Monthly Compilation Report

G. **Chief's Monthly Report**

1. Monthly Report
2. Correspondence

H. **Old Business**

1. Community Relations Team Update

I. **New Business**

1. Investigations Division Update
2. Police Building Renovations

J. **Executive Session (If Needed)**

1. C.G.S.S. Sec. 1-200 (6) (A) discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health or dismissal of a public officer or employee.
2. C.G.S.S. Sec. 1-200 (6) (C) matters concerning security strategy or the deployment of security personnel, or devices affecting public security.

K. **Adjournment**

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Berlin Board of Police Commissioners Regular Meeting

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A meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Paul Eshoo at 6:30pm on Wednesday January 20, 2021. The meeting was held at the Board of Education Board Room, 230 Kensington Road, Berlin CT.

Present: Chairman Paul Eshoo, Vice-Chairman Steve Wilson, Commissioner Dave Rogan, Commissioner Ryan Zelek, Chief John Klett and Recording Secretary, Marlene Kastner. Commissioner Melissa Urrunaga called in.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm and was followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience of Citizens: None.

Deputy Chief Ciuci and Jim Simmons were in attendance as guests to speak about the replacement of the police cars.

Approval of Minutes

No changes needed.

Vice Chairman Steve Wilson made a motion to approve the January 20th meeting minutes as well as a motion to reaffirm all the motions made at the January 20th meeting at 6:32pm. Commissioner Zelek seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Chairman Eshoo made a motion to move Jim Simmons' presentation up on the agenda at 6:34pm. Commissioner Zelek seconded this motion. All were in favor.

New Business

Jim Simmons explained the process of replacing the police cars in the police department. The cars typically get replaced around 90,000 miles. He explained that due to COVID and the extra costs to the cars in 2020, there is a large backup in getting the cars delivered. We are still waiting for the cars that we purchased last year in July.

Jim further explained that after we get the cars, they need to be outfitted. This is done by MHQ. MHQ is based out of Massachusetts, but has a local dealership in Middletown.

Jim also went into some detail regarding the repair of the police vehicles and what the town garage function is. He explained when the cars go in for service and what the garage is capable of doing in regards of service. He mentioned that bodywork is done by Kenwood auto.

The Chief made a statement that we have excellent support from the garage.

Correspondence

No Correspondence.

Review of Reports

Youth Report

The Chief mentioned 21-684. A 16 and 18 year old broke into Kensington Auto. They stole a license plate that was recovered on a stolen car in East Hartford by the police and that is how we arrested them.

The Chief also mentioned 21-1729 and 21-1811. Two juvenile males were issued a summons for marijuana at the high school. Both males were repeat offenders and were not eligible for the JRB (Juvenile Review Board) Vice-Chairman Wilson asked if someone gets caught with drugs at the high school, does that go to the SRO? The Chief responded that it does unless the SRO is on vacation or unavailable. Then it goes to the Youth Detective. Both of these incidents were referred to the SRO by school staff.

Training

Vice-Chairman Wilson asked about Officer O'Connor's Intoxilyzer Instructor training and if he would be training other officers. The Chief explained that Officer O'Conner will train

and do re-cert testing for our personnel. The Chief also explained that the intoxilyzer is where they blow into tube to get the alcohol content.

Budget

The Chief said there was money in the overtime budget so he has been putting a fourth officer on each shift. He noted that you will start to see the traffic stops and tickets going up.

The budget is good.

Traffic Reports

The Chief mentioned that all the cruisers have cameras and that there is video of every stop.

The Chief also said that next month's report will be significantly different as MV enforcement has been resumed.

Chairman Eshoo questioned Officer Doski's 21 stops with no tickets and the Chief said that they are aware of it and are addressing the situation.

Monthly Compilation

Officer Bobok is doing more enforcement on the Berlin Turnpike. Traffic safety program total stops are up from three last month to eleven this month.

Monthly Report

The Chief announced that after last month's meeting, a new task force was created by the Mid-state Chiefs. Right now it is primarily for sharing intelligence only. He will keep the commission up to date on what the task force is doing.

The Chief mentioned that car breaks are down 48% last month and only one car had been stolen in the month of January. That was stolen from a repair shop where it had been left running outside.

The Chief took some time to explain the extra information he put into his monthly report.

Vice-Chairman Wilson commented that Officer Delgado did a wonderful job assisting the homeowners whose stone wall was stuck by a car. Officer Delgado assisted the 90-year old couple put their wall back together.

Vice-Chairman Wilson also said that Officer Doski did a great job when responding to the Relax Inn. Upon arrival, Officer Doski could hear agonal breathing, but needed to force open the door to find an unresponsive party on the bed. After 25 minutes of CPR, the party was pronounced dead. The Commission commends Officer Doski on doing the right thing.

The Commission commends both Officers Delgado and Doski. The Chief will write up commendations for them both and send copies to the commission.

Commissioner Rogan mentioned it was nice to see that Stop and Shop has a loss prevention department on their premises. The Chief noted that there are a few other businesses in town that also have active loss prevention departments on their premises – Kohls being one of them.

It was also noted that Officer Musanti is doing a good job during her FTO period.

The Chief noted a letter he received in regards to Detective Kelly commending him on his assistance with their case.

Old Business

Fee Schedule

A motion to accept the fee schedule was made by Vice-Chairman Wilson at 7:20pm. This was seconded by Commissioner Zelek. All were in favor.

New Business

The Chief mentioned that last week the CRT flyer went out in the newspaper and the article was online. This week the article will go out in the print version of the paper.

Vice-Chairman Wilson gave his compliments on the flyer. He said he is getting great feedback on it. He did say to make sure that the officers get back to everyone in good time, however.

The Chief was very supportive and said we have tremendous community support.

Commissioner Rogan asked if the Chief could get a page of information out to the commission regarding the task force with the other towns. The Chief said they just had their first meeting and as soon as he had more information he would get it to the commission.

Executive Session

Vice-Chairman Wilson made the motion to go into Executive Session at 7:29pm to discuss personnel matters. Chairman Eshoo seconded this motion. Invited into Executive Session was Deputy Chief Ciuci. All were in favor.

Vice-Chairman Wilson made a motion at 7:34pm to come out of Executive Session. Commissioner Zelek seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Adjournment

Vice-Chairman Wilson made a motion to adjourn at 7:35pm. This was seconded by Commissioner Rogan. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Marlene T. Kastner
Berlin Police Department
Police Commission Secretary

BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Det. Ted Fuini – Youth Bureau

To: Chief John Klett

From: Det. Theodore Fuini

Re: Juvenile Activity February, 2021

Date: March 2nd, 2021

For the purpose of this report, the term “juvenile” will apply to any person under the age of 18.

The above mentioned case reports resulted in the following;

2100002255: A 7 year old male juvenile made claims of abuse by his father's fiancé. Later determined that the juvenile made the story up. The allegations were unfounded. DCF involved with the family.

2100003375: A 6 year old male juvenile wandered away from his driveway while waiting for the bus. The juvenile was found safe a short distance away and returned to his mother.

2100003910: A 17 year old male juvenile was transported to the hospital for mental health issues.

0-Juvenile arrests
0-JRB Referral
0-FWSN Referrals
0-Infraction
0-Adult arrests

Community Relations/ Other;

- Det. Fuini spoke with and received updates from the JRB team as schools and community begins to re-open.
- Det. Fuini updated the MDT regarding ongoing cases.
- Det. Fuini facilitated and coordinated with the DARE officers to schedule with the schools. DARE began successfully at St. Paul, Griswold, Hubbard, and Willard schools.

BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Deputy Chief of Police • Chris Ciuci

March 5, 2021

To: Chief John M. Klett
From: Deputy Chief Chris Ciuci
Subject: April 2021 Training Schedule

The following personnel have been scheduled for training in April:

Employee	Course Name	Date(s)	Days	Location
Officer Kevin Chaffee	West Hartford In-service	03/29-04/01/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Officer Achilles Rethis	West Hartford In-service	03/29-04/01/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Detective Colin Gaffey	West Hartford In-service	03/29-04/01/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Officer Mark Fowler	West Hartford In-service	03/29-04/01/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Officer Griffith	West Hartford In-service	04/19-04/22/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Sergeant John McCormack	West Hartford In-service	04/19-04/22/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Officer Scott Schreiner	West Hartford In-service	04/19-04/22/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Lieutenant Mike Jobes	West Hartford In-service	04/19-04/22/2021	4	West Hartford PD
Dispatcher Tammy Wright	CPE - Capstone	04/25-05/08/2021	2 weeks	Florida
Officer Isabella Delgado	Emergency Medical Services Instructor Certification Course	04/28-06/09/2021	7	New Britain EMS Academy

Additional training scheduled for March since last month's report:

Deputy Chief Chris Ciuci	FBINAA - 23rd Annual New England Regional Command College (NE RCC).	3/16 & 3/18/2021	3 hrs/day	Webinar / Virtual
Lieutenant Drew Gallupe	FBINAA - 23rd Annual New England Regional Command College (NE RCC).	3/16 & 3/18/2021	3 hrs/day	Webinar / Virtual



Chris Ciuci
Deputy Chief of Police

FY21 - BUDGET VS ACTUAL as of 2/28/21**GENERAL FUND - EXPENSE**

DEPT/ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	BUDGET			FEB	YTD			BALANCE	REMAIN.
		ADOPTED	AMENDS	AMENDED	MONTH	EXPENSE	ENCUM	ENCUM+EXP		
1532 - Police Department										
51 Wages-Salaries										
001.15.1532.0.51100.00000	Department Head	129,036	3,871	132,907	10,224	92,012	0	92,012	40,895	30.8%
001.15.1532.0.51120.00000	Professional Personnel	120,288	3,609	123,897	9,530	85,774	0	85,774	38,122	30.8%
001.15.1532.0.51125.00000	Mid-Managers Personnel	87,896	0	87,896	0	28,735	0	28,735	59,161	67.3%
001.15.1532.0.51130.00000	Clerical Personnel	154,748	4,232	158,980	12,124	102,592	0	102,592	56,387	35.5%
001.15.1532.0.51140.00000	Police Personnel	3,642,085	0	3,642,085	268,354	2,201,995	150,000	2,351,995	1,290,090	35.4%
001.15.1532.0.51185.00000	Dispatchers	581,678	29,686	611,364	62,547	386,879	0	386,879	224,485	36.7%
001.15.1532.0.51305.00000	Commission Secretaries	1,700	0	1,700	100	700	0	700	1,000	58.8%
001.15.1532.0.51400.00000	Overtime	500,605	0	500,605	42,855	311,280	0	311,280	189,325	37.8%
001.15.1532.0.51420.00000	Grant Overtime	68,000	0	68,000	0	36,392	0	36,392	31,608	46.5%
001.15.1532.0.51440.00000	Extra Duty Police Officer	300,000	0	300,000	15,740	294,058	0	294,058	5,942	2.0%
001.15.1532.0.51805.00000	Longevity	25,058	0	25,058	0	11,375	0	11,375	13,683	54.6%
001.15.1532.0.51811.00000	In lieu of Sick Pay (Retiree)	56,200	0	56,200	0	0	0	0	56,200	100.0%
001.15.1532.0.51820.00000	In lieu of Health Insurance	15,300	0	15,300	0	7,046	0	7,046	8,254	53.9%
Wages-Salaries Total		5,682,594	41,397	5,723,991	421,475	3,558,838	150,000	3,708,838	2,015,153	35.2%
52 Fringe Benefits										
001.15.1532.0.52010.00000	Worker's Compensation	209,449	317	209,766	16,241	141,757	0	141,757	68,008	32.4%
001.15.1532.0.52100.00000	Social Security	435,408	3,047	438,455	30,266	251,337	20,000	271,337	167,118	38.1%
001.15.1532.0.52200.00000	Pension	515,936	3,553	519,489	33,808	268,700	20,000	288,700	230,789	44.4%
001.15.1532.0.52220.00000	Insurance, Life, Disability	53,897	501	54,398	0	36,146	16,443	52,589	1,809	3.3%
001.15.1532.0.52225.00000	Physicals	4,300	0	4,300	192	895	307	1,202	3,098	72.0%
001.15.1532.0.52235.00000	Health Insurance	842,945	0	842,945	0	839,944	0	839,944	3,001	0.4%
001.15.1532.0.52300.00000	Uniforms	51,104	0	51,104	481	24,703	16,007	40,710	10,394	20.3%
001.15.1532.0.52440.00000	Tuition Reimbursement	8,800	0	8,800	0	0	0	0	8,800	100.0%
Fringe Benefits Total		2,121,839	7,417	2,129,256	80,988	1,563,482	72,757	1,636,239	493,017	23.2%
53 Professional/Technical										
001.15.1532.0.53101.00000	Telecomm-Statewide Info	20,000	0	20,000	675	4,983	4,092	9,075	10,925	54.6%
001.15.1532.0.53201.00000	Supplies	5,570	0	5,570	342	2,974	1,096	4,070	1,500	26.9%
001.15.1532.0.53208.00000	Computer Equipment	5,355	0	5,355	0	3,326	0	3,326	2,029	37.9%
001.15.1532.0.53209.00000	Defensive Equipment - Tasers	12,330	0	12,330	0	12,330	0	12,330	0	0.0%
001.15.1532.0.53211.00000	Computer Materials	300	0	300	0	292	0	292	8	2.7%
001.15.1532.0.53212.00000	Photo Supplies	250	0	250	0	91	19	110	140	56.0%
001.15.1532.0.53219.00000	Operating Materials	8,650	0	8,650	2,041	7,493	992	8,485	165	1.9%
001.15.1532.0.53234.00000	Food	1,000	0	1,000	142	307	693	1,000	0	0.0%
001.15.1532.0.53238.00000	Traffic Lights/Signals	14,650	0	14,650	0	11,412	191	11,603	3,047	20.8%
001.15.1532.0.53245.00000	Maintenance & Repair	33,000	2,000	35,000	3,219	24,623	8,534	33,157	1,843	5.3%
001.15.1532.0.53248.00000	Miscellaneous Equipment	7,000	0	7,000	378	3,778	2,327	6,105	895	12.8%
001.15.1532.0.53256.00000	Firearms	15,000	0	15,000	0	8,431	6,494	14,926	74	0.5%
001.15.1532.0.53401.00000	Accreditation	6,500	0	6,500	4,745	4,745	0	4,745	1,755	27.0%
001.15.1532.0.53601.00000	Equipment Rental	4,300	(2,000)	2,300	0	982	1,118	2,100	200	8.7%
001.15.1532.0.53813.00000	Computer Support	62,000	0	62,000	0	54,324	6,288	60,611	1,389	2.2%
001.15.1532.0.53814.00000	Contractual Services	5,000	0	5,000	376	2,791	1,356	4,147	853	17.1%
001.15.1532.0.53826.00000	Towing	600	0	600	0	85	215	300	300	50.0%
001.15.1532.0.53902.00000	Telephone	15,000	0	15,000	1,204	8,052	4,948	13,000	2,000	13.3%
001.15.1532.0.53903.00000	Copiers	3,300	0	3,300	244	1,587	1,639	3,226	74	2.2%
001.15.1532.0.53916.00000	Professional Development	45,000	0	45,000	1,020	34,805	3,391	38,196	6,804	15.1%
001.15.1532.0.53944.00000	Organizational Fees	4,030	0	4,030	70	2,391	0	2,391	1,639	40.7%
001.15.1532.0.53945.00000	Training	1,640	0	1,640	0	420	0	420	1,220	74.4%
Professional/Technical Total		270,475	0	270,475	14,456	190,222	43,393	233,615	36,860	13.6%
54 Capital Outlays										
001.15.1532.0.54000.01130	Body Cameras	0	252,992	252,992	0	252,992	0	252,992	0	0.0%
Capital Outlays Total		0	252,992	252,992	0	252,992	0	252,992	0	0.0%
Police Department Total		8,074,908	301,806	8,376,714	516,918	5,565,535	266,150	5,831,685	2,545,029	30.4%



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Traffic Bureau

MV Stops/Enforcement

February 2021

Primary Officer	INFRACTION TICKET	MISDEMEANOR SUMMONS	NO DISPOSITION	UNIFORM ARREST REPORT	VERBAL WARNING	WRITTEN WARNING	Total
Lagueux, Brandon M	1				18	19	
Breen, Dylan A	3				5	7	15
Bobok, Thomas W	4	4			1	5	14
Lajoie, Christopher J	5	1				8	14
Griffith, Wade T	4	1			3	5	13
Schreiner, Scott C	4					9	13
Fowler, Mark R	3				4	5	12
Rohon, David A	4				4	4	12
Veach, Jeffrey T	4	2			5		11
Fuini, Theodore D						10	10
Musanti, Maegan L					4	6	10
Delgado, Isabella P	3			1	3	6	9
Manning, Michael W						5	9
Rethis, Achilles					7	2	9
Correa, Marco	5					3	8
O'Leary, Drew P	2					6	8
Chaffee, Kevin J	1				5		7
Doski, Richard T		1					6
Dubuc, Jeffrey S	1	1				1	3
Griffin, Catherine A	1					2	3
O'Connor, Sean K	1			1		1	3
Krzykowski, Aimee D					1	1	2
Total	46	10	1	1	60	92	210

2/1/2021 2/28/2021





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Officer Thomas Bobok #239

2021 Crash Summary

2020 Summary

	Crashes	YTD	DUI	Fatal	W/W's	Infractions	Summons/Arrest	M/C	Bicycles	Animal	Evading	PEDs	Crashes	YTD	DUI	Fatal
Jan	30	30	1	0	12	9	3	0	0	1	5	0	42	42	0	0
Feb	39	69	2	0	15	9	8	0	0	1	6	0	29	71	3	0
Mar													41	112	1	0
Apr													23	135	2	0
May													25	160	0	0
Jun													35	195	1	0
Jul													25	220	1	0
Aug													47	267	0	0
Sep													43	310	0	0
Oct													39	349	0	0
Nov													45	394	0	0
Dec													52	446	2	0
Total	69	XXX	3	0	27	18	11	0	0	2	11		446	XXX	10	0



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Crash History by Hour and Day of the Week February 2021

Day Time (24 Hr.)	Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Total	
	Crashes	Grand Total	Crashes	Grand Total	Crashes	Grand Total	Crashes	Grand Total	Crashes	Grand Total	Crashes	Grand Total	Crashes	Grand Total	Crashes	Grand Total
0					2	5.13%									2	5.13%
1									1	2.56%					1	2.56%
2													1	2.56%	1	2.56%
6									1	2.56%					1	2.56%
7					1	2.56%									1	2.56%
8									1	2.56%	1	2.56%	1	2.56%	3	7.69%
9			1	2.56%											1	2.56%
11	3	7.69%									1	2.56%			4	10.26%
12	1	2.56%													1	2.56%
13			1	2.56%			3	7.69%							4	10.26%
14	2	5.13%			2	5.13%					1	2.56%	1	2.56%	6	15.38%
15									2	5.13%					2	5.13%
16	1	2.56%	1	2.56%	1	2.56%	2	5.13%			1	2.56%			6	15.38%
17			1	2.56%											1	2.56%
18			1	2.56%					1	2.56%					2	5.13%
20			1	2.56%											1	2.56%
22											1	2.56%			1	2.56%
23			1	2.56%											1	2.56%
Total	7	17.95 %	7	17.95%	6	15.38%	5	12.82%	6	15.38%	5	12.82%	3	7.69%	39	100.00%

2/1/2021 2/28/2021





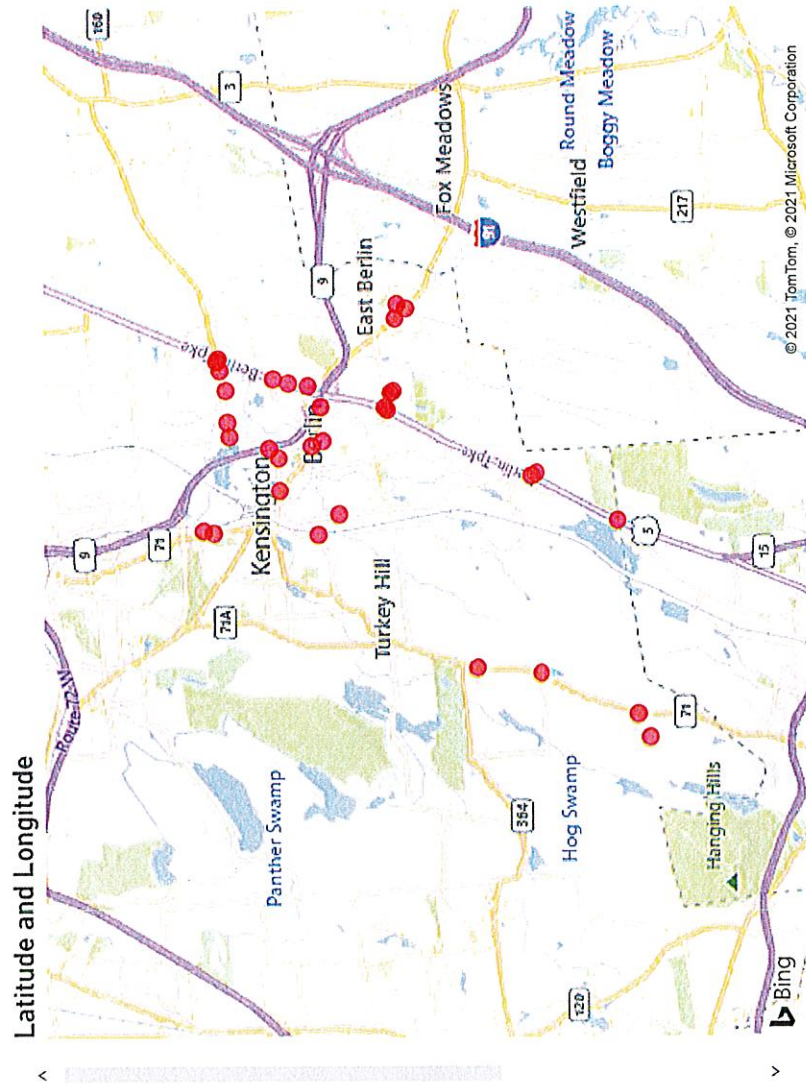
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Crash Dates

2/1/2021 2/28/2021

Top Crash Intersections
February 2021

Crash Specific Location	Full Address	# of Crashes
Non-Junction	BERLIN TPKE/ NORTH COLONY RD, BERLIN, CT	3
Intersection	DEMING RD/ BERLIN TPKE, BERLIN, CT	2
Intersection	DEMING RD/ EPISCOPAL RD, BERLIN, CT	2
Driveway Access-Related	00185 NEW BRITAIN RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Entrance/Exit Ramp	00841 BERLIN TPKE, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	00027 MILL ST, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	00200 MIDDLETOWN RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	00308 BERLIN TPKE, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	BERLIN TPKE/ NORTH COLONY RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	BERLIN TPKE/ OVERHILL RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	CHRISTIAN LN/ DEMING RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	MILL ST/ LEDGE RD, EAST BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	PEPIN LN/ MILL ST, EAST BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	ROBBINS RD/ KENSINGTON RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection	WORTHINGTON RIDGE / MILL ST, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection-Related	00021 MAGNOLIA LN, EAST BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection-Related	BERLIN TPKE/ MIDDLETOWN RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection-Related	BERLIN TPKE/ WOODLAWN RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection-Related	FARMINGTON AVE/ BURNHAM ST, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection-Related	NORTH COLONY RD/ BERLIN TPKE, BERLIN, CT	1
Intersection-Related	SKINNER RD/ CHRISTIAN LN, BERLIN, CT	1
Non-Junction	00345 FOUR ROD RD, BERLIN, CT	1
Total		39





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Officer Thomas W. Bobok #239

February 2021 Monthly Compilation Report

Monthly Crash Data:

39 Crashes is a 34% Increase from February 2020 (29 Crashes)

Year to Date: Decrease of 3%

Crash Enforcement Action:

8 Cleared by Arrest – 21%

9 Cleared by Infraction – 23%

15 Cleared by Written Warning – 38%

Top 3's

Day of the Week	Intersection	Causative Factor
Sunday/Monday (7)	Berlin Tpke. @ Deming Rd. (2)	Foll. Too Close/Unsafe Movement (17)
Tuesday/Thursday (6)	Deming Rd. @ Episcopal Rd. (2)	Improper Lane/Fail to Drive Right (5)
Wednesday/Friday (5)	Berlin Tpke. @ No. Colony Rd. (2)	Fail. To Yield Right of Way (3)

Mid State Crash Reconstruction Callouts: 0

Traffic Surveys/Actions: Traffic study done at Oxyoke Dr. @Candlewick Ln. based on complaint received via Community Relations Officer; No significant speeding violations found.

Berlin Tpke. Safety Plan:

Berlin Tpke. Enforcement 11am-6pm

Verbal Warnings	Written Warnings	Infractions	Summons/Arrests	Total Stops
5	9	6	1	21

3 directed patrols (120 mins.) resulted in 1 summons and 1 WW

18 Fire Extinguishers Inspected

FEBRUARY 2021 MONTHLY REPORT

The month of February included incidents 2,238 (4,138 YTD). The most frequent emergency calls for service are ambulance calls with 73 (164 YTD) and alarms with 48 (120 YTD). Note that of those 48 alarms, 32 were false alarms.

During February, officers investigated and reported on several incidents. They are listed in the table below:

	Feb 2021	YTD 2021	Feb 2020	YTD 2020
<u>MV Accident</u>	39	69	29	70
<u>MV Incident</u>	10	22	9	28
<u>MV Stops</u>	216	302	407	773
<u>DUI Arrests</u>	2	3	4	5
<u>MV Arrests (Inf/Misd)</u>	78	12	145	252
<u>MV Warnings</u>	107	149	234	464
<u>Adult Criminal Arrests</u>	19	31	42	59

Motor Vehicle Accidents

Most crashes occurred on Sunday/Monday with seven (7) followed by Tuesday/Thursday with six (6). The intersection with the most crashes was Berlin Tpke. @ Deming Road with two (2). The top two causative crash factors were Following Too Closely/Unsafe Movement with seventeen (17) and Improper Lane/Fail to Drive Right with five (5).

Employee Recognition

February 18, 2021: Ofc Correa was running RADAR on the Chamberlain Hwy (near Southington Rd) when he clocked a vehicle traveling 80 miles per hour southbound. Ofc Correa pulled out to initiate a traffic stop, but before he was able to get close enough to activate his lights the vehicle lost control and crashed into a snow bank. The subsequent investigation determined that the operator was under the influence and he was arrested.

February 20, 2021: Ofc Correa and Ofc Rethis responded to an active burglary. The resident's ex-girlfriend broke through an outer door, and as officers arrived, she kicked open the interior door. Ofc Correa attempted to take control of the suspect who pulled away. Ofc Correa took swift action, taking the suspect to the ground in a controlled manner that allowed him to gain control and prevent injury. The suspect was arrested and charged with burglary among other charges.

February 27, 2021: Hunter's advised that an employee was fired earlier in the day in Meriden and was suspected of fire-bombing their bases in Meriden and Old Saybrook

and a firehouse in Roxbury. We stationed an officer at the Mill St. facility until we were notified that the suspect was arrested in Pennsylvania.

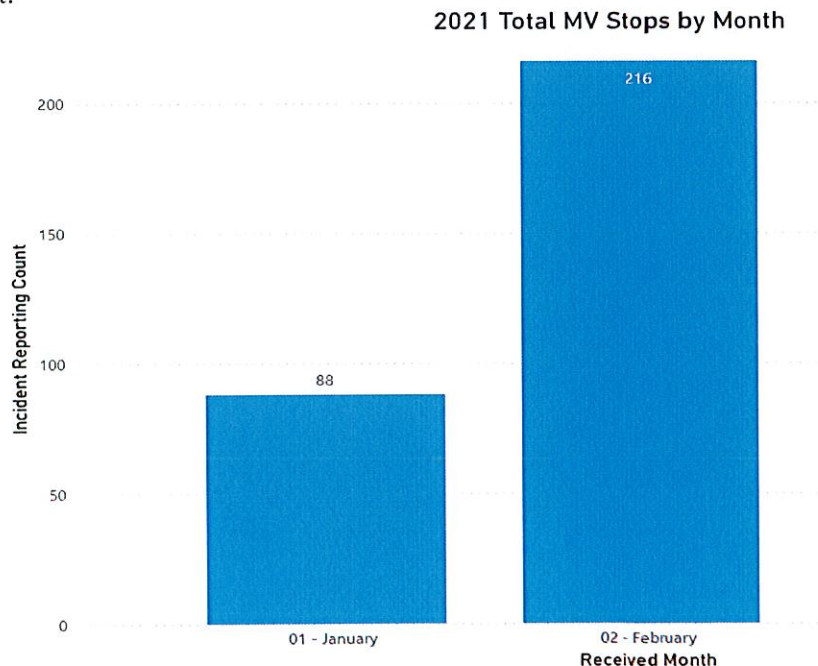
February 27, 2021: A woman riding the CT Transit bus noticed that the only other passenger was masturbating. He got off (the bus) at Webster Square. This suspect ended up being the burglar at Bethany Covenant Church.

February 27, 2021: A Ring camera at the Bethany Covenant Church picked up what was believed to be a woman banging on something at the rear of the building. Officers arrived to find a window in that area broken. Officers Doski and Gaffey entered and found the burglar, in the building. He fit the description of the bus masturbator which was later confirmed. This is an example of good coordination between the evening and midnight shift's supervisors and officers in response time, setting up a perimeter and ultimately entering the building and apprehending the suspect.

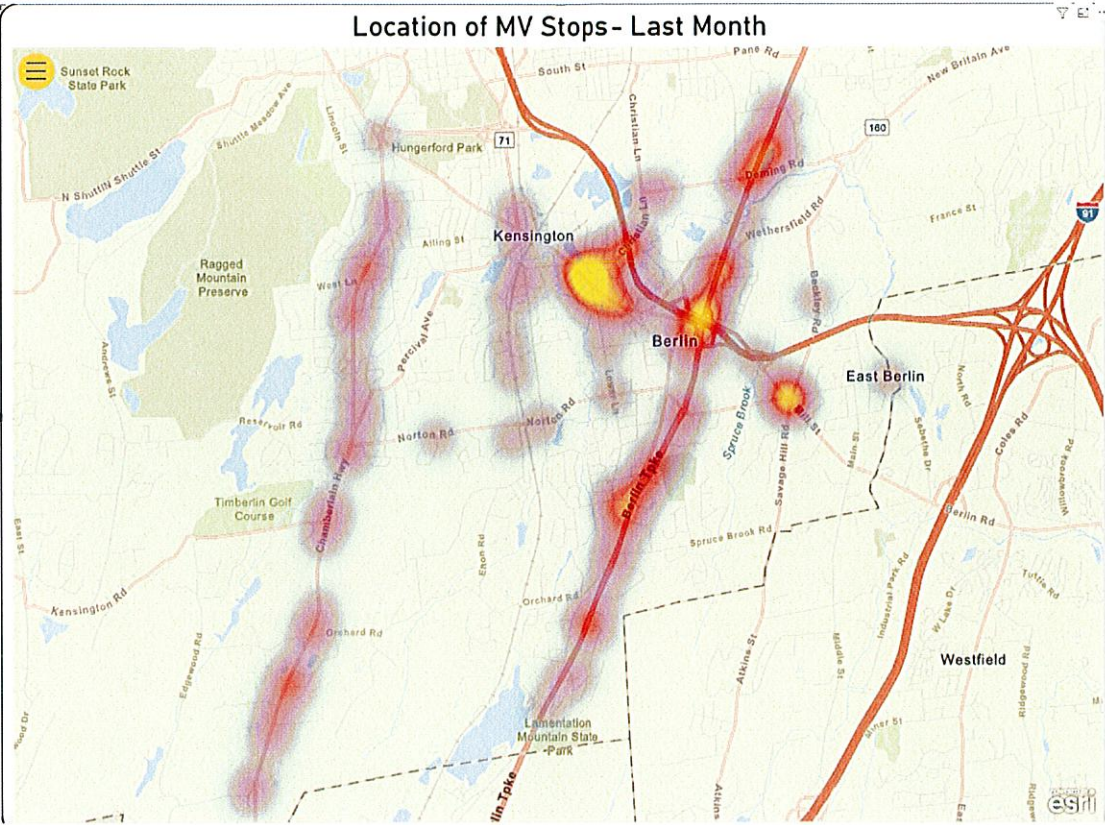
February 23, 2021: Officers were dispatched to a report of an out of control juvenile who was reportedly hearing voices, non-compliant with his medications, and threatening to assault others. Officers Schreiner and Lagueux responded to the scene and did an outstanding job of building rapport with the juvenile and calming him down. The efforts of Officers Schreiner and Lagueux resulted in the juvenile willingly walking to the ambulance without incident and being transported to the hospital pursuant to CGS 17a-503.

February MV Activity Analysis

During the month of February, Patrol Officers have been making efforts to increase Motor Vehicle Enforcement Activity back to pre-Pandemic levels. This effort was successful in that MV Stops were increased to 216 from just 88 the previous month. February also proved to have many days where winter weather was not conducive to MV Enforcement.



Officer MV Stops		
Officer	STOP	Total
Lagueux, Brandon M	20	20
Breen, Dylan A	15	15
Bobok, Thomas W	14	14
Griffith, Wade T	14	14
Lajoie, Christopher J	14	14
Schreiner , Scott C	14	14
Rohon, David A	13	13
Fowler, Mark R	12	12
Veach, Jeffrey T	12	12
Fuini, Theodore D	10	10
Manning, Michael W	10	10
Musanti, Maegan L	10	10
Delgado, Isabella P	9	9
Rethis, Achilles	9	9
Correa, Marco	8	8
O'Leary, Drew P	8	8
Chaffee, Kevin J	7	7
Doski, Richard T	6	6
Dubuc, Jeffrey S	3	3
Griffin, Catherine A	3	3
O'Connor, Sean K	3	3
Krzykowski, Aimee D	2	2
Total	216	216



Initial Reason for MV Stop and Enforcement Action Taken							
Reason for Stop	INFRACTION TICKET	MISDEMEANOR SUMMONS	NO DISPOSITION	UNIFORM ARREST REPORT	VERBAL WARNING	WRITTEN WARNING	Total
14-218a	12				2	32	46
14-299	7	1			9	16	33
14-219					17	1	18
14-301	3				2	13	18
14-219(b)	10					7	17
14-298	3	1			1	4	9
14-296aa(b1st	5					3	8
14-96b	1	1			1	3	6
14-218(a)					5		5
14-96c					5		5
14-100a(c)(1)						4	4
14-219(a)(1)					2	2	4
14-234	2					1	3
14-96a(a)					1	2	3
14-18(a)		1			1		2
14-18(c)					2		2
14-219c		2					2
14-245					2		2
14-296aa		1			1		2
14-296aa(b)					2		2
14-296aa(b1Z						2	2
14-12(a)*					1		1
14-213b		1					1
Total	46	10	1	1	60	92	216

MV Stop Enforcement	
Disposition	% of Total
WRITTEN WARNING	43.81%
VERBAL WARNING	28.57%
INFRACTION TICKET	21.90%
MISDEMEANOR SUMMONS	4.76%
NO DISPOSITION	0.48%
UNIFORM ARREST REPORT	0.48%
Total	100.00%

Section II. Goal Progress

Officer Safety:

- There were (0) reportable incidents in the LEOKA report for February. We will continue to strive for zero reportable incidents each month.
- Officers are updated daily of all procedural changes and safety measures that are implemented for Covid -19.
- There were no reported officers injured in the line of duty during the month of February.

M/V Crash Reduction:

Patrol officers are being utilized to carry out Traffic Officer Bobok's crash reduction plan which has been updated for 2021. Ofc. Bobok will be reporting progress toward this goal.

DUI Enforcement:

There were 2 DUI arrests in February. Both arrests were the result of crashes. Extra patrol units will be directed to self-initiated DUI efforts.

Community Service:

During the month of February, officers have continued to safely resume community contacts while maintaining proper social distance and precautions adhering to COVID-19 considerations.

During the month of February there were **(15)** school walkthroughs recorded.

Crime Reduction- Officers have been targeting residential areas in response to significant increase in MV Thefts and Thefts from MV's.

Also see the Monthly Report from the Community Relations Team

Reserve Officer Program

Reserve Officer Gosselin worked five (5) private duty jobs in February 2021. There were four (4) unfilled assignments for the month.

February Pro Active Contacts

	February 2021	YTD 2021
Building Checks	1095	2030
Community Relations Visits	79	121
Business/School Walkarounds	59	87
Traffic Stops	216	302

Investigations Unmarked Patrol February 2021

Tuesday, February 2, 2021	2.0 hrs	District 2
Tuesday, February 9, 2021	1.5 hrs	District 3
Monday, February 15, 2021	1.0 hrs	District 3
Wednesday, February 17, 2021	1.0 hrs	District 2
Thursday, February 18, 2021	2.0 hrs	District 1 & 2
Thursday, February 25, 2021	1.5 hrs	District 1

2021

Offense Description	01 - January	02 - February	03 - March	Total
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motor Vehicle Theft	1	5	2	8
<input type="checkbox"/> Theft From Vehicle	15	12	15	42
Attempted	8	10	8	26
Completed	7	2	7	16
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Theft of MV Parts or Accessories	12	10	4	26
Total	28	27	21	76

February- 4th Officer Overtime

In an effort to combat increased crime, the department recently began instituting a 4 officer minimum for all patrol shifts. This began on January 22nd and for the month of February the department incurred at total of 248 ¼ hours of OT costs. Although it is difficult to quantify the impact of an extra officer, especially the increased omnipresence associated with another marked cruiser patrolling the town, I have compiled an activity chart to show some of the activity associated with the 4th officers which were staffed with OT. This cost a total of \$15,573.81 from the overtime budget.

Motel Checks : During the month of February there were 76 Motel Checks logged by Patrol units. As a result of the checks, 2 lost/stolen license plates were recovered and 1 Out of Town Arrest Warrant was served.

MV Violations by Statute Number

Statute #	Description
14-218a	Travelling Unreasonably Fast
14-299	Red Light Violation
14-301	Stop Sign Violation
14-298	Failure to Obey STC Signs and Markings
14-12(a)*	Operating an Unregistered MV
14-242	Restricted Turn
14-147	Misuse of Marker Plates
14-215	Operating Under Suspension
14-219(c)(1)	Speeding
14-236	Failure to Drive in the Proper Lane
14-245	Failure to Grant the ROW at an Intersection
14-252	Blocking Driveway
14-96a(c)	Failure to Have Head lamps Lit
14-96b	Failure to Have Head lamps
14-96c	Failure to have Head lamps and Tail lamps or Registration Lights
14-296aa(b1st	Operation of an MV while using a hand held device
14-100a(c)(1)	Failure to wear safety belt front seat
14-219(a)(1)	Driving to endanger (Misd summons)
14-234	Passing in a no passing zone
14-18(a)	Failure to properly display number plate
14-18(c)	mutilated or illegable number plates
14-213b	Insufficient insurance

Monthly NIBRS Statistics

02/01/2021 00:00 Thru 02/28/2021 23:59

Call Description		Curr Mth	Prev Mth	% Chg	Prev Year	% Chg	Year To Date	Year To Date 2020	% Chg
		02/ 2021	01/ 2021	Mth to Mth	02/2020	Mth to Yr	1/1 - 02/28/2021	1/1 - 02/28/2020	2021 / 2020
100	Kidnap/Abduction	0	0	% 0	1	% 100	0	1	% -100
11A	Forcible Rape	0	0	% 0	0	% 0	0	0	% 0
11D	Forcible Fondling	0	0	% 0	0	% 0	0	0	% 0
120	Robbery	0	0	% 0	0	% 0	0	0	% 0
13A	Aggravated Assault	1	1	% 0	0	% +100	2	0	% +200
13B	Simple Assault	2	3	% -33.	3	% -33.	5	5	% 0
13C	Intimidation	4	0	% +400	6	% -33.	4	8	% -50
200	Arson	0	0	% 0	0	% 0	0	0	% 0
220	Burglary/Breaking and Enter	3	4	% -25	3	% 0	7	4	% +75
23C	Shoplifting	2	8	% -75	6	% -66.	10	9	% +11.1
23D	Theft From Building	2	2	% 0	1	% +100	4	3	% +33.3
23E	Theft From Coin Operated De	0	0	% 0	0	% 0	0	1	% -100
23F	Theft From Vehicle	12	15	% -20	4	% +200	27	11	% +145.
23G	Theft of MV Parts or Access	10	10	% 0	1	% +900	20	4	% +400
23H	All other Larceny	2	0	% +200	1	% +100	2	1	% +100
240	Motor Vehicle Theft	5	1	% +400	3	% +66.6	6	5	% +20
250	Counterfeiting/Forgery	1	0	% +100	1	% 0	1	1	% 0
26A	False Pretenses/Swindle/Con	3	0	% +300	1	% +200	3	4	% -25
26B	Credit Card/Automatic Telle	0	3	% 33.3	0	% 0	3	1	% +200
26C	Impersonation	2	0	% +200	0	% +200	2	0	% +200
26E	Wire Fraud	1	0	% +100	1	% 0	1	1	% 0
26F	Identity Theft	3	4	% -25	1	% +200	7	6	% +16.6
290	Destruction/Damage/Vandalis	6	7	% -14.	5	% +20	13	14	% -7.1
35A	Drug Narcotic Violations	1	2	% -50	6	% -83.	3	6	% -50
35B	Drug Equipment Violations	0	0	% 0	4	% 25	0	4	% -25
36B	Statutory Rape	0	0	% 0	0	% 0	0	0	% 0
520	Weapon Law Violations	0	0	% 0	1	% 100	0	1	% -100
90C	Disorderly Conduct	5	5	% 0	4	% +25	10	5	% +100
90D	Driving under the Influence	2	1	% +100	8	% -75	3	9	% -66.
90F	Family Offenses, Nonviolent	1	1	% 0	1	% 0	2	1	% +100
90J	Trespass of Real Property	0	0	% 0	9	% 11.1	0	11	% -9.0
90Z	All Other Offenses	2	5	% -60	11	% -81.	7	18	% -61.
Report Totals:		70	72	% -2.7	82	% -14.	142	134	% +5.97



Department of Police

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ROBERTO M. ROSADO
Chief of Police

February 17, 2021

Chief John M. Klett
240 Kensington Road
Berlin, CT 06037

Dear Chief Klett,

On behalf of the City of Meriden and our Police Department, I want to thank you for the offer of assistance on Friday, February 12th.

As you are aware, at approximately 8:50 am, the Meriden Police Department was notified that the West Hartford Police Department was requesting assistance in serving an active felony arrest warrant for armed robbery charges at the Flamingo Inn at 1601 North Broad Street in Meriden. The West Hartford Police Department was attempting to take into custody twenty-four-year-old, Kenneth Strothers.

While establishing a perimeter to contain the location and affect said arrest, Strothers fled on foot from a room. A foot pursuit ensued involving officers from both the West Hartford Police Department and the Meriden Police Department. After a brief foot pursuit, a confrontation occurred resulting in Struthers being shot. A firearm was recovered from the scene.

It is reassuring to know that during times of emergency, when staffing is strained to manage critical incidents, we can count on the Berlin Police Department and its command staff to be at the ready to assist if needed.

If the Meriden Police Department can ever be of assistance to your agency, please don't hesitate to contact us. It is comforting to know we can count on your agency should the need ever arise.

Yours Truly,

Chief Roberto Rosado

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Berlin Police Dept.
ATT: Chief John M. Klett
240 Kensington Rd.
Berlin, CT 06037

March 1, 2021

Dear Chief Klett,

I would like to thank you and your department for maintaining valued communications with Hunter's on Saturday 2/27/21 concerning the unfortunate incidents which occurred throughout the day.

Your department's alert responsiveness and outreach to our EMS Operations team leaders helped us to effectively anticipate critical next steps which played an important role in the safety and well-being of our employees and our facilities.

Please extend my thanks and gratitude to the officers in your department who so swiftly and competently responded on our behalf on Saturday.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to me at (203) 514-5107.

Sincerely,



Donna M. Hunter
President & CEO

cc: Mayor Mark Kaczynski

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Chief John M. Klett

March 1, 2021

To: Board of Police Commissioners

From: Chief John Klett

Subject: Need for Locker Room Renovation

In 2019 we did a statement of need for renovations to the existing police department facility recognizing that the Town was not in the financial position to build a new facility. As part of that statement, the need for locker room renovation and interview rooms were identified. The interview rooms were both completed during 2020 at the tail end of the holding facility renovation project. The holding facility was updated in 2019 and the dispatch area was renovated as part of the radio replacement project in 2018.

The remaining concern is the locker room facilities. We had been in discussion with the PBC prior to the COVID-19 shutdown which basically stopped the meetings on this topic. They were at the stage of cost estimates and looking into expanding into some of the storage space at the BOE. I would like to get this project back on track with the goal of renovating the locker rooms within the existing footprint so the facility can meet the department's need in the short term. I believe that these renovations should meet our needs for the next 5 to 10 years. The ultimate goal is still to build a new facility once the Town is financially capable of doing so.

I have attached a revised statement of need for the locker room renovation for your review.

We would need a motion to move this to the Town Council for consideration so they can task the Public Building Commission with furthering the project.



Chief John M. Klett



**STATEMENT OF NEED FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT
2021
(MOST PRESSING NEEDs OF THE PD)**

Locker Room and Toilet Area:

With the hiring of female Officers and Dispatchers the designated work room had to be moved and that room converted into a female locker room which is now also too small. We have run out of lockers in the men's locker room. The lockers are too small to hold all the Officers' equipment. They must be stored outside the lockers. The toilet area in the women's locker room is too small. It only accommodates one person at a time and should have more capacity. Lockers should have electrical outlets as all Officers have rechargeable flashlights and portable radio chargers.

This is the most pressing and expensive need. The lockers are too small for the equipment carried by current day police officers. The result is equipment stored on top of lockers or under the benches in front of their lockers. There are no electrical outlets in the lockers so Officers are unable to charge radios and flashlights. They cannot hang their body armor to dry inside a locker. The room is insufficient for the needs of the department. It is injurious to morale to show so little regard for the employees as to do nothing about this situation. The female locker room is marginally better as there are fewer female employees and their lockers are bigger. This is because the female locker room was added in the early 1990's by converting a workroom as noted above.



BERLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Community Relations Team
Officer Brandon Lagueux #258
crimewatch@berlinpd.org

February 2021 Monthly Report

During the course of the month, the community relations team was very active in promoting neighborhood watch groups. Our neighborhood watch flyer as well as an article went out in the Berlin Citizen describing the team and our goals. A telephone interview was also conducted with the Herald newspaper. The neighborhood watch flyer was also put out in various public locations such as the police department lobby, town hall lobby, clerks office, Peck library, the community center and the Board of Education.

All of our officer created public Facebook accounts and each member was introduced on our department Facebook page. These introductions included a short biography about each officer and their role at the police department. Fox 61 conducted an interview of our two canine officers for a three week short on working dogs as well as our community relations team. This was a good way of promoting our social media.

Over the course of the month, we have received a large amount of emails regarding the creation of neighborhood watches. All of the emails were responded to and the citizens were provided information about our goals with the program. Not every citizen responded after this however we have confirmed one watch group in district one, two in district two and six in district three. Due to the number of response in district three, it was determined that this will be split by Officer Chaffee and Officer Lagueux. Most of the groups are communicating through Facebook however we have introduced some to the Group Me application.

The goal going forward will be to get more involved in the groups that are established as well as to continue to facilitate the creation of new watch groups in different areas of town.

Respectfully Submitted,

Br Lagueux #258

Officer Brandon Lagueux #258

Active Neighborhood Watch Groups					
District 1 - Ofc Delgado					
Location/Name	Leader	Contact Numbers	Members	How they Communicate	Notes
Stony Mill				Facebook Group	Private Group, attempted to join, request pending. Messaged the group as well explaining who I am.
Hummingbird Lane					
Bluebird Lane				Email request, sent info for setup. Have not received response yet.	
MaryAnn Ct				Email request, sent info for setup. Have not received response yet.	
Grove Street				Email request, sent info for setup. Have not received response yet.	

Active Neighborhood Watch Groups					
District 2 - Ofc Krzykowski					
Location/Name	Leader	Contact Numbers	Members	How they Communicate	Notes
Cynthia Dr (Four Rod Area)				FB- 'Four Rod Watch'	
Wildermere Rd Area				FB- 'NOW Neighbors of Wildermere'	

Active Neighborhood Watch Groups					
District 3 - Ofc Chaffee / Ofc Lagueux					
Location/Name	Leader(s)	Contact Numbers	Members	How they Communicate	Notes
Park Drive					In the process of forming a watch
Summitwood Dr / Linden Dr			18	Facebook group	Ofc Chaffee is in the Facebook group
Ellwood Rd					Inquired about starting a watch; waiting for a response back
Winesap Rd / Cider Mill / Cole Ln			32	Facebook group	Ofc Chaffee is in the Facebook group
Orchard Rd					Inquired about starting a watch; waiting for a response back
Stillmeadow / Steeple View / Spring Valley / Park View			53	Facebook group	Ofc Chaffee is in the Facebook group
Oxyoke, Candlewick, Lamplight, Meetinghouse			20	Text message and Group Me	Zoom meeting conducted
					Ofc Lagueux in Group Me Chat
Devonshire Way			Approx. 12	Text message; voting on using	In the process of forming a watch; teleconference conducted
Robbins Road			54	Facebook group	Ofc Chaffee is in the Facebook group
Homecrest Drive					Email Sent back by Ofc Lagueux. No further response
Treasure Ave					Email Sent back by Ofc Lagueux. No further response