JANUARY 2021
MONTHLY REPORT

The month of January included incidents 1,900 (1,900 YTD). The most frequent emergency calls for service are ambulance calls with 91 (91 YTD) and alarms with 72 (72 YTD). Note that of those 72 alarms, 40 were false alarms.

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

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**Motor Vehicle Accidents**

Most crashes occurred on Monday with seven (7) followed by Tuesday/Friday/Saturday with five (5). The intersection with the most crashes was Berlin Tpke. @ Middletown Road with two (2). The top two causative crash factors were Following Too Closely/Unsafe Movement with eleven (11) and Improper Lane/Fail to Drive Right with two (2).

**Employee Recognition**

**January 3, 2021:** Officer Breen was traveling southbound on the Berlin turnpike and observed a vehicle in the parking lot of the Mobil gas station matching the description of one used in a burglary of firearms from a gun store in Portland CT. Officer Breen turned around to investigate however the vehicle evaded Officer Breen leaving at a high rate of speed and was not pursued. Officer Breen obtained video surveillance footage from the Mobil Gas station where the vehicle was spotted. This info was then passed on to the investigating Portland PD Detective and ATF. The suspect who Officer Breen identified is now in police custody from crimes committed in Meriden and evidence of the Portland burglary was located at the time of his arrest.

**January 24, 2021:** Sgt. Soneson and Ofc. Lagueux spent a considerable amount of time trying to convince a drunk, hostile prisoner to walk from the booking room detention cell to the holding cell. Failing in their effort, Sgt. Soneson sprayed him with OC. First aid was applied immediately thereafter. Excellent restrained use of force incident.
January 25, 2021: Ofc. Delgado responded to a MV complaint on Lower Ln. Someone struck the stone wall in the yard along the road, scattering the stones across the driveway, and then left the area. The homeowners, who were in their 90’s, began to put the stones back. Ofc. Delgado helped them with the job.

January 29, 2021: A mother contacted BPD expressing concern for her son. Officer Doski and Officer Manning responded to the Relax Inn, where the son was staying. Upon arrival Officer Doski found the unit secure but could hear agonal breathing coming from inside the room. Officer Doski forced the door and found an unresponsive party on the bed. Hunters was on scene and administered Naloxone and started CPR. After 25 minutes CPR was terminated and the party was pronounced dead. This an example of good quick thinking on the part of Officer Doski to immediately force open the door without waiting for a key or FD. Although the outcome remained negative, his actions gave EMS a chance to save the person from overdose. CFS 2100001807

January 5, 2021: Officers Krzykowski, Musanti, and Fowler responded to 2005 Berlin Turnpike, Mobil Gas Station, on a report that a male was acting erratically and may be under the influence of drugs. When Officers arrived on scene, they made contact with the male as he was exiting the store. The male admitted to taking PCP, was noticeably agitated and was continually clenching his fists as he was speaking to officers outside of the gas station. Officers did an outstanding job of speaking to the male. CFS 2100000247

January 13, 2021: Officers Krzykowski and Musanti responded to Kensington Family Auto to investigate a burglary. During the course of the investigation, officers learned that a license plate had been stolen from one of the vehicles parked in the business’ parking lot. Officers then learned that the stolen plate was located on a stolen vehicle by the East Hartford Police Department a few hours earlier. Officers Musanti and Krzykowski worked with members of the BPD Investigations Division and ultimately identified two of the three suspects and obtained a confession from one of them. Warrants are pending for the identified individuals. CFS 210000684

January 16, 2021: Officers responded to Stop and Shop on a report of a shoplifting. Upon their arrival, they observed a female attempting to pull a case of beer away from a store employee. Officers Krzykowski and Musanti gave the female commands to stop and drop the beer; however the female refused. Officers Krzykowski and Musanti then each took a hold of the female’s wrists and lowered her to the group while continuing to give commands. The officers were then able to handcuff the female and take her into custody. The female had a male accomplice who was identified and a warrant submitted. Officers were complimented by the Stop and Shop Loss Prevention Employee for their professionalism in handling this matter. The Loss Prevention Employee was especially impressed with Officer Musanti and how she handled the situation for such a new officer. She referred to Officer Musanti as a “great hire”. CFS 210000920

January 30, 2021: Officer Rohon, Officer O’Leary, and State Police were dispatched to Route 9 South at exit 23 on a report of a male walking in and out of traffic. When Berlin Officers arrived on scene, they observed a shirtless male who was exhibiting the signs of PCP intoxication. Officer Rohon attempted to gain information from, and provide assistance to the male. Out of nowhere, the male punched Officer Rohon in the chest and
Officer Rohon responded by giving the male commands to get onto the ground. The male disregarded Officer Rohon’s commands and took a fighting stance. Officer Rohon then deployed his pepper spray and the male was taken into custody. The male was extremely uncooperative during the booking process and while being housed at BPD, and all officers did a tremendous job handling such an uncooperative prisoner, remaining professional and courteous at all times. 

CFS 2100001947

**January MV Activity Analysis**

Supervisors and Officers were instructed on January 21 to resume “normal” MV Enforcement activity which had been curtailed to reduce person to person contact due to COVID concerns. MV Stop procedures have been modified to include practices that officers should follow to reduce risk of COVID exposure to officer and motorist.
Section II. Goal Progress

**Officer Safety:**
- There was (1) reportable incident in the LEOKA report for January. We will continue to strive for zero reportable incidents each month. No officer was injured during the assault.
- 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 January.

**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 was 1 DUI arrest in January. The arrest was the result of a crash. The DUI Improvement Plan from 2020 was updated for 2021 and began being implemented February 1, 2021.
**Community Service:**

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

During the month of January there were (14) school walkthroughs recorded.

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

**Reserve Officer Program**

Reserve Officer Gosselin worked one (1) private duty jobs in January 2021. There were twelve (12) unfilled assignments for the month.

### January Pro Active Contacts

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**Investigations Unmarked Patrol January 2021**

- **Friday, January 22, 2021**  1.5 hrs  District 1/East Berlin
- **Tuesday, January 26, 2021**  1.0 hrs  District 1/East Berlin
- **Wednesday, January 27, 2021**  2.0 hrs  District 1 & District 3
- **Friday, January 29, 2021**  1.5 hrs  District 3
- **Sunday, February 7, 2021**  2.0 hrs  District 2
January; 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 January the department incurred at total of 43 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.

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**Motel Checks:** A new Call Type was created for Motel Checks at the end of January. Since the creation, a total of 26 Motel Checks have been logged. No hits have come back on any vehicles run during these checks.