Westville Police Department

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Activity Report for period 7/14/23 - 8/11/23

Total Calls: 229	Total Reports: 33	Total Arrests: 13	
Traffic Stops: 58	Citations: 9	Ordinance Violations: 9	
Tavern Incidents: 5	Fights: 3	School Incidents: 0	

Chief's Report

Met with Seth Miller several times to discuss implementation of School Resource Officer (SRO). As of now SRO will begin working in the schools on his normal scheduled days from 7:30 a.m. until the new officer is ready to go. After the new officer is ready, SRO will be in school Monday-Friday 7:30 to 3:30.

Attended Critical incident training at Danville High School on 8-3-2023 with numerous other agencies from around the county. In the future we will participate with more officers as staffing allows.

Officer Wahlfeldt completed Juvenile Officer training in Springfield and is now a Certified Juvenile Officer.

Currently in the process of creating department policies including SRO policy. Our current policies were written in 1995 and are well out of date. This process will take some time as laws have changed considerably and are changing as we speak.

Attended meeting with State's Attorney Lacy in reference to the upcoming SAFE-T Act which will begin September 18. Currently there are still a lot of unknowns. One change to be expected in future reports will be fewer arrests. The act requires that many arrestable offenses today will receive a notice to appear instead. This is currently a fluid situation as there are still trailer bills in Springfield which will affect this.

Completed Traffic Operations Plan and Parade Operations Plan for the Sesquicentennial Events and Labor Day Weekend events. Also reached out to Tilton and Catlin Police for assistance.

We have noticed an increase in vehicle burglaries at night over the past few weeks. In response we have increased saturation patrols and foot patrols on side streets. Would like to remind residents to please lock their vehicles at night.

Conducted interview and POWER test with part-time police candidate Songer. Currently, we are proceeding with background investigation for hiring consideration. With no problems we anticipate being ready to hire at the September meeting with council approval, and part-time academy in Springfield beginning in October.

Took ordinance violation judgements in reference to downtown buildings at 135 N. State to Barney to begin Circuit Court proceedings.

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WPD_RMS	Traini	ing Report	08/11/2023	
Training Dates Expiration Dates	07/01/2023 To To	08/11/2023	All Records	
Officer	Training Type	Sched Comp	Expire Location	Hours
353 Wahlfeld	Juvenile Officer Cer	07/25/23 07/28/2	23 Law Enforce	ement 32
646 Cottrell	Law Enforcement Me	edi 07/07/23 07/07/2	Mobile Tear	m Uni 8
648 Guerrero	Law Enforcement Me	edi 07/07/23 07/07/2	Mobile Tear	m Uni 8
210 Showers,	Annual Pistol Qualif	07/03/23 07/03/2	23 PSB	4
	4 Records Listed Total Hours: 52			