



POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

Wethersfield



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SPECIAL PROJECTS / ACHIEVEMENTS / INNOVATIONS

There continues to be one vacancy in the detective division. Additionally, one detective remains out of work on medical leave.

Effective Tuesday, June 16th, 2020 the detective division resumed fingerprinting services. This service, which is offered three days per week, is now being done by appointment.

During the month of July 2020, members of the Patrol Bureau made two (2) arrests for Driving Under the Influence. Please note that self-initiated motor vehicle enforcement was lower than normal due to COVID-19 concerns.

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

Patrol Division

Patrol Division (Case of Interest)

Shoplifting thefts and Family Violence related incidents have continued to be common occurrences, as have incidents of vehicles being stolen or stolen from.

On 07/20/2020, two patrol officers came upon a vehicle parked on Goodwin Park Road. One of the officers had recovered stolen vehicles in this area recently and both officers approached the vehicle. As they approached, a male ran from the vehicle into a heavily wooded area. They soon after discovered that the vehicle the male ran from was in fact stolen. A CT State Police K-9 unit arrived to assist, and the male was located laying down in the wooded area, where he was taken into custody without incident. The male had the keys to the vehicle in his pocket.

Support Services Bureau

8 persons were taken into custody and held in lieu of bond; 8 males and 0 females were transported to court throughout the month.

There were 104 phone calls and 35 involving animal control issues. 1,199 dog licenses (new and renewals) during the month. There was 1 impound this month; 5 were redeemed by their owners or sold a pets. The incident synopsis for the month is: 8 wildlife complaint (Geese, raccoon, turtles, etc.) and 27 dog/cat cases (roaming, barking, left in cars, etc.).

Wethersfield Police Department Child Seat Technicians inspected / installed no child seats.

Wethersfield Public Safety Dispatchers received and handled 941 NG911 emergency phone calls. Text-to-911 is now an active feature in Wethersfield's E911 center.

The Wethersfield Volunteer Fire Department (WVFD) was dispatched to, or initiated, 63 calls for service, fire prevention activities, or assists / standbys.

The Wethersfield Volunteer Ambulance (WVAA) and Aetna Ambulance were dispatched to a total of 250 medical / ambulance calls this month.

Administrative Services Bureau

With three police officer vacancies, and the certified and entry level stand-by pool now being depleted, the ASB Unit has initiated another certified police officer selection process. The test is scheduled for the second week of August. There are three remaining candidates in the certified process, which has a high wash out rate. With the on-going and new process, the ASB is optimistic that the department will be able to fill the current three, and two upcoming, vacancies.

Detective Division

During the month of July, 2020, members of the Detective Bureau initiated or were assigned to six (6) new cases. These cases involved the following:

- 1 Assist
- 1 Domestic Related
- 1 Firearms Violation
- 2 Assist Other Jurisdiction
- 1 Suspicious Situation

In addition to the above cases, members of the Detective Bureau completed fifteen (15) supplemental reports on follow up investigations for eight (8) additional cases, including:

- 1 Assault with a Firearm
- 1 Residential Burglary
- 1 Carjacking Robbery
- 1 Bank Robbery

- 1 Sudden Death
- 1 Assist Other Jurisdiction
- 1 Stolen Motor Vehicle
- 1 Sexual Assault

Nine (9) cases from the current and previous months/years were closed.

Fifteen (15) new background investigations for pistol permits applicants were received. Year to date pistol permit applications have increased approximately 61% from 2019.

One (1) background investigation was completed for a vendor permit.

Two (2) background investigations for police applicants, both certified and entry level, were started.

Two (2) background checks were completed for employment in various departments within the Town of Wethersfield.

Year to date background investigations (all types) have increased approximately 63% from 2019.

Juvenile Detective

The Wethersfield Police Department handled approximately 28 incidents, involving approximately 40 Juveniles during the month of July 2020. In these incidents 6 Juveniles were diverted for parental discipline, 1 Juvenile was arrested and issued a Juvenile Summons, and 2 Juveniles were diverted for school discipline.

School Resource Officer

N/A

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Selective enforcements requests continue to be sent to Lt. Demonte, who is requiring patrol officers to go to each location and report back activity. This seems to be working very well as it is very responsive.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Detectives continue to work on a regional basis with several different task forces in an effort to solve criminal cases throughout the area.

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

	JULY 2019	JULY 2020	YTD 2019	YTD 2020
Criminal Arrests				
Criminal Arrests	50	45	407	188
Burglaries and Robberies				
Residential Burglaries	1	1	10	4
Commercial Burglaries	1	0	3	17
Armed Robberies	0	0	0	3
Strong-Arm Robberies	0	0	3	4
Family Violence Arrests				
Family Violence Arrests	-----	10	-----	46
Traffic Related				
Infractions/ MV Summons	78	35	736	291
DUI	7	2	63	47
MV Crashes	59	45	375	398
Parking Tags	43	7	409	207
Miscellaneous Activities				
911 Calls	912	941	5684	5583
Alarm Responses	76	60	351	383
Records Requests	132	132	791	916
Prisoners Transported	-----	8	-----	47
Child Car Seat Installations	9	0	33	9