



# Public Safety Department Memorandum



TO: Benjamin Haberthur, Executive Director  
FROM: Paul Burger, Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police  
RE: September 2024 Report

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## REPORTS

27 reports were taken from 169 dispatched calls for service.

## CITATIONS & WARNINGS ISSUED

41 total citations written: 4 State violations, 29 ordinance violations, 8 written warnings.

## REPORT HIGHLIGHT SYNOPSIS

### Equipment Thefts

A company had staged equipment in the parking lot of Buffalo Park FP for a District project. An employee arrived to begin work, when he found the company trailer with a pallet of 25 rolls of blanket straw was missing. Estimated value of theft is \$6,500. Investigation is ongoing.

An employee found District solar panels missing near the Raymond Street tunnel in Elgin. Three solar panels, three inverter units, and one junction box with wiring harness were missing from a structure located south of the tunnel. Estimated value of theft is \$1,700. Investigation is ongoing.

### Dead Animals

A couple were at Voyageurs Landing FP, when they came across a bag containing two dead chickens and women's clothing covered in blood. The couple called 911 and a District officer arrived on the scene. The items could possibly be a part of a "Santeria" ritual. Earlier that day, a woman was spotted sitting next to a tree at Voyageurs, encircled by lit candles. The woman was no longer in the area. The items were disposed of and the officer made a report of the incident.

### Personal Injury from Bicycle Accident

An officer responded to the Fox River Trail in Algonquin, on a report of a vehicle vs bicyclist personal injury accident. The bicyclist failed to stop at a designated bicycle stop sign, subsequently hitting a vehicle on the roadway. The bicyclist was transported to Huntley Hospital and an officer made a report of the accident.

### Illegal Dumping

A neighbor next to Willoughby Farms FP witnessed a man dragging a large tree limb across the street and dumping it onto the preserve property. The neighbor told the man not to dump in the preserve and attempted to take a photo. The offender approached him and the neighbor drove away. The offender got into his own car and began to follow him. The neighbor called 911 and Algonquin Police responded. Algonquin Police handled the dispute and District officers issued a written warning for illegal dumping.

While performing a premise check at Bowes Creek Woods FP, an officer observed that unknown offender(s) had dumped garbage for the second time in a week. On September 6th, the offender pried open the locked dumpster and dumped numerous large empty furniture boxes. On September 13th, the officer found a child safety seat next to the locked dumpster, with the dumpster lid slightly ajar, showing signs of being pried, but not enough to fit the child seat through. Inside the dumpster were two smaller-sized child car booster seats and a child safety seat base. No offender information was recovered. A District trail camera has been posted in the area.

### Battery

While attending the Tacos and Tequila Festival at the Cougars Stadium, a woman was bitten on her right arm by another attendee. The victim waited until the next day to call police and file a report. The offender was unable to be identified.

## TRAINING & MEETINGS

### Meetings:

- Police Officer Interviews (Chief Burger & Sgt. Hayes)
- IPLEA (Ofc. Kelly)
- Tacos & Tequila Event / KC Cougars (Sgt. Hayes)
- Carpentersville Dam Ribbon Tying (Chief Burger, Officers Kotlarz & Konecki)
- 2024 Referendum / Prisco Comm. Center (Chief Burger)

### Training:

- Departmental Police Law Training / U.S. Supreme Court Rulings 2024
- Departmental Range Training Date

## September 2024 Reports by Location/Offense

Location	Alarm Activation - Check Premises	Battery	Criminal Defacement to Property	Disorderly Conduct - Public Indecency	Dumping	Homeless Subject	Off Road Where Prohibited	Report Follow-up	Suicidal Subject	Accidents - Personal Injury	Theft - Property	Camping Where Prohibited	Property - Recovered	Encroachment	Check For Welfare/Well being	Campground Complaints	Criminal Trespass	Animal Investigation	Grand Total
Brunner Family F.P.						1												1	
Cougars Stadium	1																	1	
Fox River Shores (East) F.P.												1						1	
Fox River Trail - Batavia Twp.								1			1							2	
Fox River Trail - Elgin Twp.										1								1	
LeRoy Oakes F.P.	1						1											2	
Settler's Hill Golf Course								1										1	
Buffalo Park F.P.									1									1	
Johnson's Mound F.P.		1																1	
Elburn F.P.						1												1	
Fox River Bluff East F.P.															1			1	
Rutland F.P.			4															4	
Big Rock Campground															1			1	
Fox River Trail - Dundee Twp.								1			1							2	
Mill Creek F.P.				1														1	
Riverbend St. Charles Twp.					1													1	
Dick Young F.P.								1										1	
Raymond Street F.P.									1									1	
Ferson Creek F.P.																1		1	
Willoughby Farms F.P.				1														1	
Bowes Creek Woods F.P.				1														1	
Grand Total	1	1	1	4	3	1	1	1	2	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	27