



# Public Safety Department Memorandum



TO: Benjamin Haberthur, Executive Director  
FROM: Paul Burger, Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police  
DATE: April 9, 2024  
RE: March Report, 2024

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## REPORTS

24 reports were taken from 118 dispatched calls for service.

## CITATIONS & WARNINGS ISSUED

Thirty-one (31) citations issued: State Ordinance Citations (3); Local Ordinance Citations (15); Warning Tickets (13).

## REPORT HIGHLIGHT SYNOPSIS

### Illegal Dumping

A few instances of illegal dumping were found last month. At Glenwood Park, the dumpster was found  $\frac{3}{4}$  full of household garbage and iron chairs.

At Burlington Prairie, four deceased animals were found (2 opossums, 1 coyote, and 1 raccoon), appearing to have been killed by trapping or hunting.

No leads were found for either dumping incident. Investigation continues.

### Stolen Van Found

A van was found in the preserve woods of Fox River Bluff East. Officers checked the VIN, and discovered it had been reported stolen from Warren County, IL. During investigation, it was learned that the unknown driver of the van had driven through a heavily wooded path, damaging several trees and ground in the process. It also appears the unknown offender cut down several trees to cover/camouflage the vehicle from public eye. The van was then towed, and evidence items were collected. The investigation is pending from the Warren County Sheriff's Office.

### Encroachment/Destruction of Natural Resources

While doing maintenance along the Fox River Trail in Algonquin, staff found several trees had either been cut down, or were girdled so they would die and fall. The homeowner directly behind the trails and trees is a previously known offender of encroachment onto District property. When approached, he denied all involvement in the damage. He was left with a verbal warning.

## TRAINING & MEETINGS

### **Meetings:**

- North Operations Police Brief (Chief Burger & Sgt. Hayes)
- Encroachments (Chief Burger, Officer Splittgerber & Z. Tegge)
- KCCOPA (Chief Burger, Sgt. Hayes, & PT Ofc. R. Endean)
- IPLEA (Officer Kelly)

### **Training:**

- Departmental Police Law Training / Pretextual Stops of Pedestrians & Motorists
- Departmental PDRMA Training / Avoiding Injuries & Fire Extinguishers
- Departmental Range Training
- PDRMA / Supervisors Risk Mgmt. & Sexual Harassment (Chief Burger & Sgt. Hayes)
- De-Escalation Training – NEMRT / (Chief Burger & Officer Sadowski)
- Critical Incident – NEMRT / (Sgt. Hayes)

