

Craig Police Department

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TO: *Mike Foreman, City Manager*

FROM: *Walter K Vanatta, Chief of Police*

DATE: *April 5, 2017*

SUBJECT: *Progress Report – March 2017*

1. *Crime and Patrol Summary*

See attachments. The department responded to 1,231 requests for service during the month of March. Community Service responded to 127 requests for service.

Calls for service were steady for the month, the patrol division was busy. We handled approximately 294 more calls for service in the month of March than in the month of February.

I want to highlight that during the month of March the patrol officers had 12 drug related arrests from contacts they made. The contacts included traffic stops, warrant arrests or domestic violence. Most of the arrests were for the Possession of a Schedule 1 or 2 Illegal Substances. We stopped two juveniles for traffic violations and they were charged with Possession of Marijuana.

This month one of the officers was injured during the investigation of a domestic violence incident. The officer was attacked by two dogs when the door of the residence was opened. One dog bit the officer on the hand and the other dog bit the tricep of his arm. One of the dogs was shot at the scene and transported to a local veterinarian for treatment. The wound to the dog was so severe that the dog was euthanized. The other dog was impounded. The owner of the dog was charged in County Court with two counts of "Unlawful Ownership of Dangerous Dog" along with domestic violence charges.

2. *Community Service*

CSOs Josh Wright and Jill Nelson handled the following calls during the month of March.

- *Red tagged nine abandoned vehicles. One vehicle was towed.*
- *No weed complaints*
- *One code violation*
- *Eight junk/trash violations*
- *No Administrative Warnings were issued*
- *Four parking violation warnings were issued*
- *One parking citation was issued*
- *Three code citations were issued*
- *One Abatement Conducted; Cost of Abatements – \$78.00*

Please see the attached Code Enforcement Activity Reports for March.

3. *Miscellaneous*

Nothing to report

4. *Investigations - Commander Bill Leonard*

Cases

- *On the early morning hours of 03-30-17 two males were involved in a verbal disturbance at the Popular Bar. Officers responded and the males involved, identified as Ray Terrill and Justin Blodgett went their separate ways. A couple hours later, officers were called to the alley west of the Trav-O-Tel Motel for a non-responsive male. When officers arrived in the alley they found Ray Terrill not breathing with no pulse. Officers attempted to revive him with an AED but were not successful. Terrill was transported to Memorial Hospital for continued life-saving actions that were also unsuccessful. Witnesses on scene advised that Terrill and Blodgett had a physical fight and that after falling to the ground, Terrill was unresponsive. The investigation continues. Blodgett has now been charged with Manslaughter by the District Attorney's Office. Both were co-workers working at the power plant during the outage. Lots of alcohol consumption was involved in this case.*

- *Sexual Exploitation of Child on Facebook-case turned over to Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force in Colorado Springs to work online sting.*
- *2 sexual assaults on children-both cold cases*
- *ID Theft-Social Security Fraud-Memorial Hospital*
- *Child Abuse case*
- *1 Fraud by check*
- *During the night of 02-1-17, suspect(s) forced entry into Airgas at 323 Russell Street in Craig and stole several cylinders of Nitrous Oxide-commonly known as laughing gas. Although the business contained numerous other high dollar items, nothing else was taken. Apparently this product can be used for a short term "high" but can be a dangerous health hazard if misused. UPDATE: On 03/23/17 all but one of the cylinders were recovered in a storage shed in Gypsum, Colorado. The cylinders were empty when recovered. The suspect in this case and his girlfriend were found deceased from a suspected drug overdose in a hotel room in Vernal, Utah on 03-04-17. I am waiting on reports from Vail PD and then will do a press release with this update.*
- *Several more scam calls*
- *Follow up on Kum and Go Robbery*

Assists

- *Records with sex offender registrations*
- *Follow up on several domestic violence investigations*
- *ACET*
- *Patrol trace found firearm on ATF E-trace*
- *Reviewed several DSS reports*
- *Patrol-more follow up on eBay scam from last month-case to DA.*
- *Community Service-suspicious animal call-trail cam set up*
- *Patrol with possible Elder Abuse-financial-not enough for charges*
- *Patrol cover patrol shift*
- *Patrol with recovery of stolen vehicle-Rifle PD-release back to owner arrangements*
- *Vernal, Utah-death investigation*
- *Patrol with unattended death call*

Court

- ✓ *One drug court prep hearings*
- ✓ *16P00328-Mccament-attempted sexual assault on child-sentenced to 9 years*
- ✓ *Grand Jury Prep with DA –Child Abuse -16P01490*

Records

- *Jen Kenney and Dixie Beck worked together to produce procedure for handling court ordered “de-registration” of sex offenders.*

Meetings/Community Events

- *Weekly investigation meetings with DA and MCSO*
- *Weekly CPT (Child Protection Team) meetings*
- *Weekly Advocates meeting*
- *Monthly SAPP (Substance Abuse Prevention Program) meeting*
- *Monthly Criminal Justice meeting*
- *Monthly Community Drug Awareness meeting*
- *Monthly ACET board meeting*
- *Child Fatality Review Team-1 case review*
- *Monthly Chaplains meeting*
- *Annual PIO meeting with local press*
- *Two Advocates Board meetings.*
- *Monthly staff meeting.*
- *Hazmat meeting-Tri-State - ammonia transports starting later this summer.*
- *Annual CIT Team meeting in Steamboat*

Other

- *Numerous Sex offender registrations paperwork review-entry*
- *Numerous Sex Offender compliance checks*
- *DSS-Differential Response Training*
- *3-Certified VINS*
- *PIO-McCament sentencing-16P00328-Daily Press and KRAI*
- *PIO-numerous Daily Logs calls with KRAI and Daily Press*
- *Continue work on Peer Support Program*
- *Security Survey at water plant-request of City Manager*
- *Evidence Dispo-ammunition-drop at Hayden PD-will dispo in metro area for us.*

- *PIO-numerous press calls on 17P00351-local and Denver media-coalition of police that kill dogs.*
- *Use of Force review board for 17P00351*
- *Personnel investigation*
- *Assist advocates with backgrounds and oral boards for executive director*
- *Assist in resolving Intoxilyzer issues with Department of Health over Denver media releases on problems with instrument certifications*
- *NARCAN Training-train the trainer-NW Health-also procedures for officer use*
- *Cold Case Review and training-Uintah County Sheriff's Office-met with Utah officers in Vernal-reviewed Sheila Sawyer Homicide Case from 1975-Vernal had similar case in 1972-Could not make connections. Uintah County also has cold case where body may be dumped in Moffat County.*
- *Alpine Apartments management-questions on drug activity*

5. *SRO Activity*

Officer Rimmer and Officer Fritz continue to teach the DARE curriculum to the Ridgeview and East Elementary 5th grades; as well as, teaching DARE at Calvary Baptist for the 5th and 6th graders there.

Officer Fritz is temporarily working patrol shifts in order to cover our personnel shortfall. He has been working within the school as call loads allow in order to stay involved with the schools and school activities. He will return to the schools on a full-time basis on April 6th.

This was a short month due to Spring Break, which was 3-21-17 to 3-25-17.

Officer Rimmer was involved in the following activities for month.

- *Planned safety/lockdown drills with the school*
- *Screened and investigated multiple reports of abuse. Most forwarded to patrol*
- *Visits to Boy's and Girl's Club to interact with kids during after school activities*
- *Worked with Goal Academy students*
- *Attended several events and meetings including Youth United Way Moffat County Youth Services Council, Substance Abuse Prevention Program Board meeting, multiple MCHS and CMD sporting events, Child Protection Team Meetings, Moffat County Youth Advisory Council meeting*
- *Conducted home visits to check the welfare of truant students*

Elementary School Activities

- *East and Sandrock - Tracked down 2 different parents who moved with students out of state for truancy issues*
- *Continue to work with a student who continues to assault staff members and makes threats towards the school and principal*
- *Worked with elementary students in classes – relationship building*
- *Talk with student about theft – parent meeting*
- *Disruptive elementary school parent at East and at the Administration Building – mediation*
- *Numerous interventions at the elementary school level for youths in conflict/out of control behavior at Sunset, East and Sandrock*

CMS Activities

- *Participated in 2 re-entry meetings at CMS for kids returning to school after suspension for disruptive behaviors and defiant behaviors*
- *3 calls for disruptive and out of control students at CMS – Intervention to keep them and other students safe*
- *Investigation/mediated numerous reports of Bullying*
- *Mediated numerous youth in conflict/out of control youth issues*
- *Attended basketball games*
- *Taught Law Related Education to 8th grade social studies classes – Constitutional Issues for students*
- *Worked with 3 female students reference drug issues*
- *Investigated 4 Safe2Tell reports*
- *Follow up with a home DV issue with student – assist the Sheriff's Office*
- *Ridgeview – Student intervention who was refusing to attend school*
- *East and Ridgeview - Two parent meetings reference habitually disruptive students*
- *Recovered stolen bike from the fall*
- *Law Related Education - Completed Sexting Presentation for 6th, 7th and 8th grades*

MCHS Activities

- *Interviewed student reference drug purchases and use*
- *Attended 2 re-entry meetings with student and parents*
- *Participated in 2 behavior support plan and review meetings*
- *Alternative School – Check in with students on education plan as a mentor to student*
- *Home family meeting with Probation reference juvenile truancy*
- *One fight at MCHS – resulted in charges sought*

- *Parent threat toward MCHS Admin – report completed for incident. No crime at this time*

Community Events

- *Participated in the Community Drug Forum and Collaboration Counsel for Opiate Addiction*
- *Attended Restorative Justice meeting in Steamboat with CMS Admin to implement program in our district – PBIS: Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports*
- *Attended Career Fair at CNCC*
- *Assist Jefferson County S.O. with Child Pornography case – Student of Moffat County identified as one of their victims*
- *Attended Youth Staffing for Juvenile sentencing recommendations*

6. Training

Officer Tracy Mendoza completed his field training. He is doing very well.

During March, department personnel completed numerous CIRSA trainings online.

During March, sworn personnel completed PoliceOne Academy training.

7. Upcoming Events

April 8th, Children's Fair will take place at the Centennial Mall.

April 29th, Drug Take Back will take place at the Centennial Mall parking lot.

May 11th, DARE graduation will take place at the Craig Middle School auditorium.

May 26th through May 29th, department personnel will assist with Grand Olde West Days activities.

May 29th, department personnel will assist with Moffat County High School graduation.

Monthly Calls for Service
Mar-17

911 Hang-Up	47	Pedestrian Contact	14
Abandoned Vehicle	10	Power/Gas/Phone Incident	2
Injury Accident	1	Property Found/Recovered	11
Accident - Property Damage	13	Property Lost	9
Accident - Unknown Injury	1	REDDI Report	6
Agency Assist	144	Road Rage	5
Alarm	10	Safe 2 Tell	2
Animal Complaint	123	Security Check	182
Animal Injured	1	Sex Crime	3
Assault	7	Shots Fired	2
Bar Check	3	Suicide - Attempted	5
Burglary	5	Summons Service	1
Child Abuse/Neglect	13	Suspicious Article/Person/Vehicle	55
Civil Problem	44	Theft	28
Code Enforcement	14	Threat	7
Complaint	5	Tow/No Tow Request	3
Criminal Mischief	7	Traffic Problem	2
Curfew	1	Traffic Stop	90
Debris	6	Transport	3
Disturbance	28	Trespass	19
Domestic Violence	13	Unattended Death	2
Drug Violation or Incident	13	Unknown Problem	4
Drunk Pedestrian	3	Vandalism	1
Escort	3	Vehicle Recovery	1
Explosion	3	Vehicle Stolen	4
Extra Patrol Request	70	VIN Inspection	51
Fire Call	1	Warrant	26
Fraud	23	Weapon Violation	3
Harassment	22	Welfare Check	21
Indecent Exposure	1	Wildlife	1
Liquor/Tobacco Violation	1		
Missing Person/Runaway	9	Total	1,231
Motorist Assist	3		
Noise Complaint	7		
Open Door	4		
Parking Complaint	9		

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

MONTH OF MARCH, 2017

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS HANDLED:		MOCO COMPLAINTS BY CSO	1
ANIMAL CONTROL	88	SUMMONS & COMPLAINTS	5
OFFICERS	39	VICIOUS DOGS WITH INJURY	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>127</u>	VICIOUS DOGS W/O INJURY	0

ANIMAL IMPOUNDS:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
CRAIG - Owner Relinquish	1	0	6	0	0	7
CRAIG - Stray	12	1	5	0	0	18
MOCO - Owner Relinquish	2	2	0	0	0	4
MOCO - Stray	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>29</u>

IMPOUND DISPOSITION:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
RELEASED TO OWNER	11	1	0	0	0	12
ADOPTED	3	2	2	0	0	0
EUTHANIZED	0	0	4	0	0	4
TRANSFERRED	1	0	5	0	0	6
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>29</u>

FERAL CATS: 0

REMARKS:

YEAR TO DATE TOTALS 2017

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS HANDLED:		MOCO COMPLAINTS BY CSO	4
ANIMAL CONTROL	223	SUMMONS & COMPLAINTS	9
OFFICERS	87	VICIOUS DOGS WITH INJURY	1
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>310</u>	VICIOUS DOGS W/O INJURY	0

ANIMAL IMPOUNDS:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
CRAIG - Owner Relinquish	3	0	44	7	0	54
CRAIG - Stray	27	2	18	1	0	48
MOCO - Owner Relinquish	3	2	2	0	0	7
MOCO - Stray	1	0	1	0	0	2
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>111</u>

IMPOUND DISPOSITION:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
RELEASED	23	2	0	0	0	25
ADOPTED	6	2	8	1	0	17
EUTHANIZED	1	0	45	6	0	52
TRANSFERRED	4	0	12	1	0	17
OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	0
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>111</u>

FERAL CATS: 28

Code Enforcement Warnings

WARNINGS BY ADDRESS		3/1/2017							
ADDRESS	NAME	DATE	VIOLATION				NOTES	Badge	Disposition
			Junk/Trash	Weeds	Vehicles	Code Viol			
551 6th Ave West	Knoche, Randall	2/20/2017	X				Admin Citation 3/16/17	561	
865 Ashley	Patrisia Navarro	2/13/2017	X				Admin Warning 2/14/17	561	C - 3/18/17
695 Colorado St.	Moffat, Jody	3/23/2017	X				Warning 3/23/17	560	C - 3/29/17
647 Conner Dr.	Rice, Bill	2/25/2017			Trailer		Warning 2/25/17	560	
3465 Douglas Drive		3/27/2017			Silver Ford		Red Tagged 3/27/17	560	C - 3/29/17
430 E 4th Street		3/9/2017			Red Ford		Red Tagged 3/9/17	561	C - 3/18/17
430 E 4th Street		3/9/2017			White Jayco		Red Tagged 3/9/17	561	C - 3/18/17
430 E 4th Street #27	Earl, Connie	3/23/2017	X				Warning 3/23/17	560	
430 E 4th Street #28	Van Peursem, Kimberlee	3/14/2017	X				Admin Warning 3/14/17	560	
745 E. 12th	Goldie Burton Trust	09/02/16	X				Citation 10/15/16	560	
1400 Block Heather		03/02/17			Scout		Red Tagged 3/2/17	560	C - 3/7/17
1499 Heather	Shmedeke, Liz	02/22/17	X		Partial		Warning 2/22/17	560	
2341 Jeffcoat Drive	Nevarez, Sitclali	02/20/17	X				Warning 2/21/17	561	
743 Moffat Drive	Bartholomew, Gary	02/25/17			Many		Warning 02/25/17	560	
25 Olde Stage Road	Yeagain, Sheryl	03/23/17	X		Red SUV		Warning 3/23/17	560	
652 Pershing	Jay & Jay Properties	02/20/17	X				Admin Citation 3/16/17	561	
347 Ranney		02/01/17			Green Subaru		Red Tagged 2/1/17	561	C - 3/18/17
615 Riford		02/28/17			Brown Ford		Red Tagged 2/28/17	561	
615 Riford		02/28/17			Silver Ford		Red Tagged 2/28/17	561	
311 Sage St.		01/18/17			Dodge & Cadillac		2nd Citation 3/8/17	560	T - 3/8/17
347 Sage Ct.	Aldridge, Donna	03/14/17	X		Multiple	Parking	Warning 3/14/17	560	
371 Sage Ct.	Cousins, Della	03/14/17	X		Multiple		Warning 3/14/17	560	
425 Sage Ct.	Quezada, Silvestre	03/23/17	X		Several		Admin Warning 3/23/17	560	
1225 W. 6th St.		03/27/17			Silver Buick		Red Tagged 3/27/17	560	C - 3/29/17
1198 W Victory Way	GFI-Craig II Investments LTD	02/20/17	X				Admin Warning 2/21/17	561	C - 3/18/17
460 Washington	NCM Holdings	03/23/17	X				Warning 3/23/17	560	
TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICE COMPLAINTS HANDLED IN MARCH 2017:					26				
VIN INSPECTIONS HANDLED IN MARCH 2017:					33				

TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICE COMPLAINTS HANDLED YEAR TO DATE:	119
VIN INSPECTIONS HANDLED YEAR TO DATE:	66

Code Enforcement Contacts March 2017	
Trash/Junk	8

Abatements Conducted:

Code Enforcement Warnings

Abandoned Vehicles (Red Tagged or Warned)	9	Property Address	Cost of Abatement	Cost Billed to Property Owner (Including 20% Inspection and Incidental Fee)
Vehicles Towed	1			
Weeds	0	311 Sage St.	\$65.00	\$78.00
Code Violations	1			
Cases Held Over	13			
T = TOWED				
C = COMPLIED		YTD Total	\$65.00	\$78.00

