

Craig Police Department

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TO: Peter Brixius, City Manager
FROM: Jerry DeLong, Chief of Police
DATE: September 4, 2019
SUBJECT: Activity Report – August 2019

1. Crime and Patrol Summary

See attachments. The department responded to 1,124 requests for service during the month of August. Community Service responded to 148 requests for service.

School is back in session and we have focused patrols in the school zones. So far, the traffic around the Middle School and Sandrock Elementary School has been much better than last year and we have not had to direct any traffic in the area.

Community Policing at its best... This month Officer Jeff Bond received a thank you letter from a Canadian family that he stopped in July.

Just imagine that you and your family (mom, dad and five children) are on a vacation that includes traveling the length of the United States. You are all stuffed in a mini-van pulling a small camper. During the day you blow a tire on your camper. Then you drive into Craig and the first thing that happens is you get stopped by a police officer (Officer Bond) at 10:30 pm. You have no idea why you are getting stopped. Your stress level is really high because you want to be done with the day. You yell at Officer Bond about why he is stopping your family.

Officer Bond calmed dad down and let him know he was just warning him for having no lights on his camper. He then escorted the family to the KOA campground and made sure they were ok for the night. Officer Bond also told the family where they might get their camper fixed and suggested a couple of places to check out while they were in town.

The family wanted us to know how much they appreciated Officer Bond and his concern for their family. The places Officer Bond suggested were wonderful and not only made their day but left a positive impression about their time in the United States.

When officers receive positive feedback from the public like this it can erase a whole lot of negative experiences. It reminds our entire department that yes we can make a positive difference in people's life.

Great Job Officer Bond!

2. Community Service

CSOs Jill Nelson and Wacie Laabs handled the following calls during the month of August.

- Red tagged nine abandoned vehicles. Two vehicles were towed.*
- Seven weed complaints*
- Three code violations*
- Five junk/trash violations*
- No Administrative Warnings were issued*
- One code citation was issued*
- Two parking warnings were issued*
- No parking citations were issued*
- Abatements Conducted in 2019: Cost of Abatements \$3,659.48.*

Please see the attached Code Enforcement Activity Reports including the Speed Trailer Log for August.

3. Miscellaneous

The Craig Police Department will be handing out coupons for FREE ICE CREAM to children found demonstrating good bike safety practices, including wearing helmets and following traffic laws. Thank you to Cindi Crabtree, the owner of Bear Coal Soda Fountain, for donating these coupons. We are proud to have great community partners encouraging our children to be safe.

August 2nd through 4th, department personnel assisted with the Moffat County Balloon Festival.

August 6th, department personnel participated in National Night Out from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Moffat County Fairgrounds.

August 17th, department personnel participated in the Love Inc Back to School Fair in City Park.

4. *Investigations/SRO Activity - Captain Bill Leonard*

On the weekend of August 23-25, Investigations handled two suicides and one unattended death. With these two suicides our agency has now handled six suicides in 2019. This is already the most suicides our agency has handled in one year. With four months remaining, including the holiday months, this is a very concerning statistic. Our agency is now partnering with the Memorial Hospital, Mind Springs and the Moffat County Sheriff's Office on a specific grant that centers on emergency mental health response and suicide prevention.

School is back in session and Officer Businger is already very busy. At the direction of City Manager and Council, we have advertised to hire a second school resource officer. We currently do not have any applicants.

On August 28th, we tested for the position of patrol sergeant. Sergeant Cameron will be moving to investigations and this sergeant will take his place in patrol. Corporal Will Roland, Officer John Meyers and Officer Ryan Fritz all put for the position. The testing consisted of the following:

- A written exam-fifty questions*
- An interview- oral board consisting of community partners, outside law enforcement officers, and police department employees. Thank you Councilman Brian MacKenzie for your participation.*
- A practical exercise involving a "verbal counsel of an employee". (I understand that Gina Duran from human resources- who was our "employee"- is now up for an Academy Award for her performance.)*

Congratulations to Sergeant Will Roland on his promotion.

On August 30th, officers responded to a report of possible explosives in the Walmart parking lot. On officer's arrival, Walmart employees had secured an area of their parking lot and pointed out items on a parking lot island that had been reported to Walmart management as resembling possible pipe bombs. After a cautious investigation the items were determined not to be explosives. However, someone had made items to appear to be possible explosives. This incident is still under investigation. Our officers appreciated the very professional manner the incident was handled by Walmart and their staff.

Investigations currently have 15 sexual assaults, primarily sexual assaults on children under investigation. Several of these cases were reported in late July and early August.

SRO Nathan Businger Activities

Officer Businger worked patrol shifts during the month of August, as well as assisted with Investigations.

During patrol shifts, Officer Businger spent extra time completing foot patrols in the city parks, and in Sherwood Forest. Special attention was provided to Craig's youth throughout the city, and school district.

Officer Businger was involved in the following activities for the month.

- Assisted patrol officers with various cases*
- Continued investigations on reports taken previously*
- National Night Out August 6th*
- Attended firearms training August 14th*
- Met with School Administration about upcoming school year*
- Attended security meeting with school district*
- Back to School Fair August 17th*
- ALICE training for new school district employees*
- Attended all district staff meeting*
- Sex Assault Investigation August 21st 19P01356*
- Back to School Night at Craig Middle School August 22nd*
- Death Investigation August 25th 19P01370*

Moffat County High School

- 8/3/2019 - Safe2Tell – Suicide Threats*
- 8/15/2019 – Safe2Tell – Self-Harm*
- 8/29/2019 – Safe2Tell – Drugs*
- 8/30/2019 – Safe2Tell – Depression*
- 8/30/2019 – Safe2Tell – Vaping*
- Summoned one juvenile male student for a tobacco violation*

Craig Middle School

- Summoned one juvenile male student for a tobacco violation*
- Report of inappropriate touching between juvenile male and female students*
- Report of harassment between two juvenile male students*

Sandrock Elementary School

- Completed extra morning patrols during student drop off*

Investigations- Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault-Investigator Mike Cochran
Follow-up on T/A for DA's Office (Obtained Medical Records) – Completed 08/20/2019
Continue to follow-up on this case. Received (2) Search Warrant returns. Joint case with
FBI/AG's Office - New search warrants obtained.
Sex Assault taken by Rangely PD - follow-up
Sex Assault on Child. Continuing follow ups.
Numerous follow-ups on Domestic Violence cases
Follow-up on Domestic Violence - Interview with suspect. (Warrants to follow against
victim)
Domestic Violence follow-up. Case closed by patrol.
Domestic Violence – Continued follow-up. Suspect reached out to Advocates claiming to
be victim. Suspect will not return calls for interview.
Domestic Violence – Continual follow up with victim. Pictures obtained and uploaded to
evidence.com
Domestic Violence – Attempt follow-up with no contact.
Fraud, Continual follow-up.
Sex Assault case being reviewed by D/A's office.
Death Investigation
Sex Assault on 2-year-old
Numerous Trainings

5. Training

Officers John Meyers, Tracy Mendoza and Junior Gonzalez completed Standardized Field
Sobriety Test/Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus Refresher training online.

August 7th, Corporals Mike Edwards and Will Roland attended R.A.I.D Advanced
Training in Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

August 9th, CSO Wacie Laabs completed Colorado Dog Protection Act training at the
Public Safety Center in Craig.

August 10th, Corporal Mike Edwards completed I-9000 EBAT Instructor – 2019
Refresher Course training online.

August 10th, Sergeant Marvin Cameron and Investigator Norm Rimmer attended
International Police Defensive Tactics Institute – Instructor License training in
Greeneville, Tennessee.

During August, sworn officers completed CPR, AED and Basic First Aid training online.

During August, department personnel completed numerous CIRSA trainings online.

During August, sworn personnel completed numerous PoliceOne Academy trainings.

During August, department personnel completed numerous Cyber Investigator Certificate Program trainings online.

6. Upcoming Events

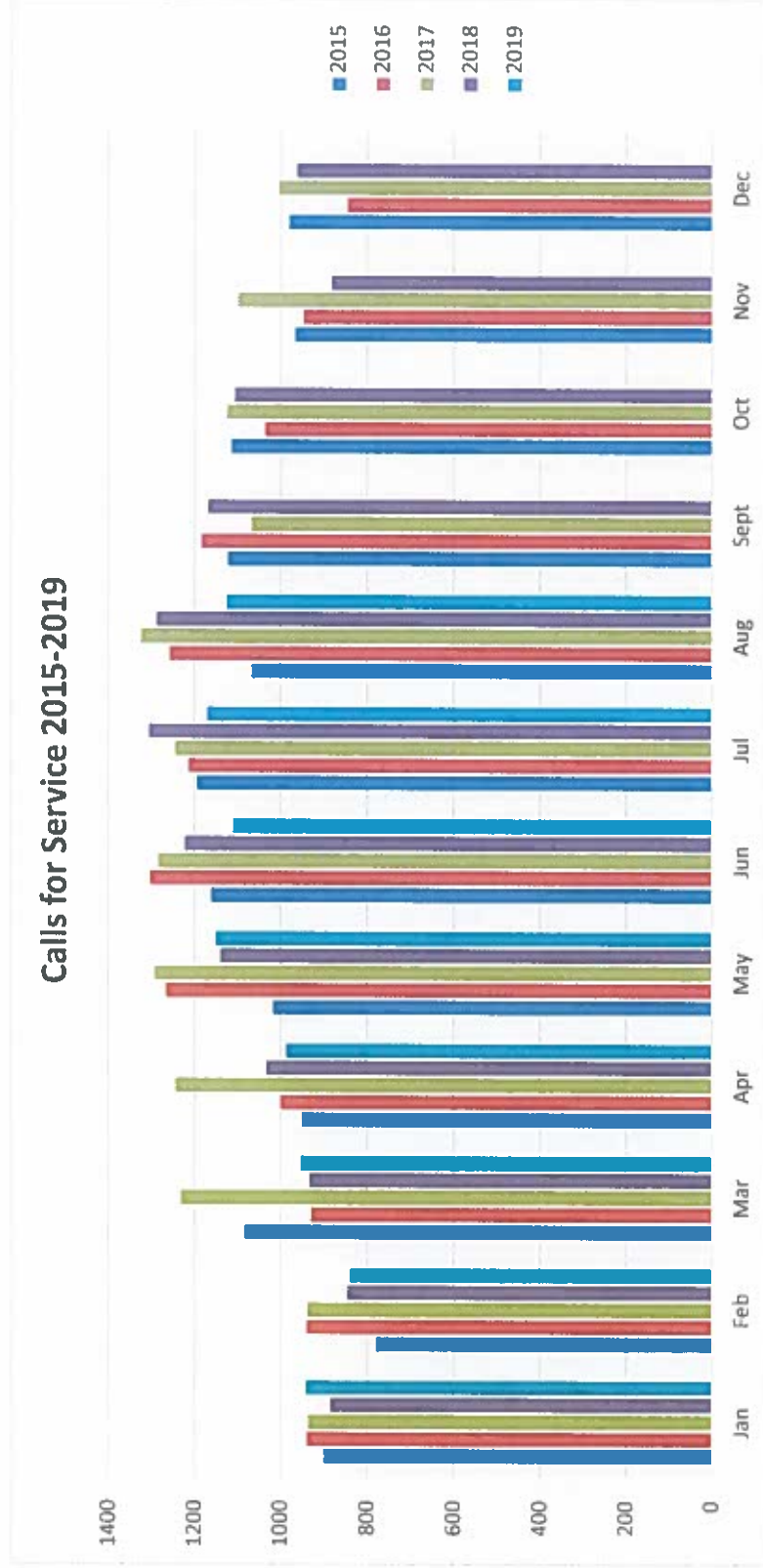
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**Monthly Calls for Service
Aug-19**

911 Hang-Up	62	Motorist Assist	6
Abandoned Vehicle	10	Noise Complaint	13
Accident - Hit and Run	7	Open Door	5
Accident - Injury	1	Parking Complaint	15
Accident - Property Damage	16	Parole Check	3
Accident - Unknown Injury	3	Pedestrian Contact	12
Agency Assist	125	Power/Gas/Phone Incident	7
Alarm	16	Property Found/Recovered	19
Animal Complaint	146	Property Lost	6
Animal Injured	2	REDDI Report	12
Assault	9	Road Kill	4
Burglary	7	Road Rage	7
Child Abuse/Neglect	3	Safe 2 Tell	7
Civil Problem	53	Security Check	7
Code Enforcement	27	Sex Crime	4
Complaint	18	Shots Fired	1
Criminal Mischief	5	Suicide - Attempted	8
Debris	1	Suspicious Article/Person/Vehicle	66
Disorderly Conduct	1	Theft	29
Disturbance	35	Threat	11
Domestic Violence	16	Traffic Stop	86
Drug Violation or Incident	6	Transport	3
Drunk Pedestrian	1	Trespass	14
Escort	1	Unattended Death	2
Extra Patrol Request	27	Unknown Problem	15
Fire Call	2	Vandalism	10
Fraud	19	Vehicle Stolen	2
Harassment	18	VIN Inspection	53
Kidnap	1	Warrant	8
Liquor/Tobacco Violation	2	Weapon Violation	5
Missing Person/Runaway	10	Welfare Check	32
		Wildlife	2
		Total	1,124

Calls for Service

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2015	899	777	1081	950	1015	1160	1193	1066	1120	1113	966	980	12320
2016	939	940	929	998	1265	1302	1213	1257	1183	1035	947	845	12853
2017	936	937	1231	1243	1291	1283	1243	1324	1067	1123	1098	1004	13780
2018	884	845	933	1031	1138	1221	1305	1286	1167	1105	882	962	12759
2019	941	839	952	986	1149	1109	1168	1124					8268



Code Enforcement Warnings

WARNINGS BY ADDRESS										
ADDRESS	NAME	DATE	Junk/Trash	Woods	VIOLATION Vehicles	Code Viol	NOTES	Aug-19	Badge	Disposition
1900 Block Baker Drive		8/29/2019			Maroon Hyundai		Red- Tagged 8/28/2019		584	C - 8/30/2019
1915 Baker Drive	Burch, Cody	9/23/2017	X				Admin Citation 5/28/19		561,560	Progress
2045 Baker Drive	Contreras, Fernando	6/3/2019			Multiple		Admin Warning 8/15/19		560	
353 Breez	Wagner Ranches	8/15/2019		X			Warning 8/15/19		560	C - 8/27/19
795 Breez St.	Raitopoulos, George	8/29/2019		X			Warning 8/29/2109		584	
654 Conner	Sadvar, Justin	6/26/2019		X			Citation 6/26/19		560	
900 Block Country Club		8/1/2019			Red Chrysler		Red-Tagged 7/29/2019		584/560	C - 8/6/2019
700 Block Country Club	Menge, James	8/29/2019	X		White Cadillac	Camping	Admin Warning 8/29/19		560/584	
1905 Crockett	Gillette, Terry	8/1/2019				Trees blocking stop sign	Warning 8/1/19		560	C - 8/7/19
900 Block Green	Jennison, Justin	7/22/2019		X			Warning 7/22/19		560	C - 8/6/2019
900 Block Green	Soper, Brian	7/22/2019		X			Warning 7/22/19		560	C - 8/6/2019
2272 Jeffcoat	Djildine, Brian	6/28/2019	X	X	Multiple		Citation 6/28/19		560	Progress
2341 Jeffcoat	Guevara, Siciaili	8/20/2019	X	X			Warning 8/20/2019		584	
391 Lincoln St.	Beasom, Jon	8/19/2019		X			Warning 8/19/19		584	C - 8/29/2019
552 Lincoln St.	Arnold, Elinor	8/19/2019		X			Admin. Warning 8/19/19		584	
793 Park Court	Dickson, Richard	05/02/18			Multiple		Warning 5/2/18		560	Ongoing (building a fence)
915 Pershing	Soper, Steve	08/16/19		X			Warning 8/16/19		560	C - 8/27/19
633 Rifford Road	Lopez, Daniel	07/23/19		X			Warning 7/23/19		560	C - 8/7/19
716 School St	Rural Housing Service	05/10/19	X			Dead tree	Citation 6/18/19		560	Complied except tree 7/10/19
1100 Block Schrader		08/12/19			Green Saturn		Red Tagged 8/12/19		560	C - 8/27/19
1293 Schrader	Poelstra, Stephanie	07/25/19		X			Warning 7/25/19		560	C - 8/7/19
1098 Shepherd Dr.	Stahl, Carl	07/26/19	X	X			Warning 7/26/19		560	
958 Sloan Circle	Eng, Stanley	06/10/19		X			Citation 6/21/19		560	Ext. to 9/6/19
405 Steele St.	Lanier, Ralph	07/19/19		X			Admin Warning 7/19/19		560	C - 8/7/19
679 Taylor	Riggeway, Kayla	05/07/19		X			Warning 5/7/19		560	
403 Tucker St.	Richmond, Roger	07/23/19		X			Admin Warning 7/23/19		560	C - 8/7/19
563 Tucker St.	Rodriguez, Maximiliano	05/28/19			Multiple		Admin Warning 5/28/19		561	
613 Tucker St.	Boss, Kaylin	07/15/19	X	X			Warning 7/15/19		560	
641 Tucker St.	Mathers, Sharon	07/15/19		X			Warning 7/15/19		560	Ext. to 7/31/19 for legal eviction
653 Tucker St.	NCM Holdings	07/15/19	X	X			Warning 7/15/19		560	
894 Tucker St	Mack, Shawnel	01/21/19			multiple		Citation 6/26/19		561/560	
1127 Victory Way E.	Fredrickson, Dannis	05/28/19					Admin Citation 5/28/19		561	
1243 Victory Way E.	Franks, Victoria	08/20/19	X	X	Black BMW		Warning 8/20/2019		584	T - 8/9/2019
1198 Victory Way W.	Kmart	07/22/19			Cargo Trailer		Red Tagged 7/24/19		560	C - 8/21/19
1198 Victory Way W.	Peterson, Mikell	08/08/19	X				Warning 8/13/19		560	C - 8/9/2019
1295 Victory Way W.	YVMC	08/08/19	X				Warning 8/8/2019		564	Progress 5/2/18
2905 Victory Way W.	Potgeiter, Jacobus	03/01/18	X				Warning 3/1/18		561	
1175 W 8th St.		08/13/19			Silver Mailbu	Vegetation impeding visibility	Red Tagged 8/13/19		560	
1287 W 8th Place	Ridnour, Shane	07/26/19					Warning 7/26/19		560	C - 8/7/19

ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT

MONTH OF AUGUST 2019

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS HANDLED:		MOCO COMPLAINTS BY CSO	0
ANIMAL CONTROL	101	SUMMONS & COMPLAINTS	0
OFFICERS	47	VICIOUS DOGS WITH INJURY	0
TOTAL	148	VICIOUS DOGS W/O INJURY	0

ANIMAL IMPOUNDS:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
CRAIG - Owner Relinquish	4	1	2	0	0	7
CRAIG - Stray	18	1	6	13	1	39
MOCO - Owner Relinquish	1	0	1	7	0	9
MOCO - Stray	3	0	0	0	0	3
TOTAL	26	2	9	20	1	58

IMPOUND DISPOSITION:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
RELEASED TO OWNER	16	1	1	0	0	18
ADOPTED	10	1	7	7	0	25
EUTHANIZED	0	0	1	7	0	8
TRANSFERRED	0	0	0	0	1	1
OTHER	0	0	0	6	0	6
TOTAL	26	2	9	20	1	58

FERAL CATS: 8

REMARKS:

YEAR TO DATE TOTALS 2019

ANIMAL COMPLAINTS HANDLED:		MOCO COMPLAINTS BY CSO	4
ANIMAL CONTROL	677	SUMMONS & COMPLAINTS	27
OFFICERS	310	VICIOUS DOGS WITH INJURY	6
TOTAL	987	VICIOUS DOGS W/O INJURY	7

ANIMAL IMPOUNDS:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
CRAIG - Owner Relinquish	15	1	11	0	2	29
CRAIG - Stray	82	5	47	41	3	178
MOCO - Owner Relinquish	7	0	4	8	0	19
MOCO - Stray	29	8	0	2	0	39
TOTAL	133	14	62	51	5	265

IMPOUND DISPOSITION:	DOGS	PUPPIES	CATS	KITTENS	OTHER	TOTAL
RELEASED	83	6	1	0	1	91
ADOPTED	46	8	31	20	3	108
EUTHANIZED	4	0	22	8	0	34
TRANSFERRED	0	0	8	14	1	23
OTHER	0	0	0	9	0	9
TOTAL	133	14	62	51	5	265

FERAL CATS: 12