

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Reporting Period: June 2nd, 2022 – July 12th, 2022

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Administration

eForce RMS Implementation Project: Incorporated in our cost for the software was having an eForce Trainer come out to provide one on one training with staff. This is built into the price because eForce understands the value and necessity of in person training due to the complexity of the program and all its capabilities. This training is especially significant for our dispatchers due to the lack of formal dispatch training.

Due to the Covid 5-day quarantine mandate, I was instructed to have the company provide the training virtually, despite the company's recommendation. On June 28th, we had our dispatchers come in and attend the virtual training in the conference room. At lunch time I was forced to cancel the remaining of the training due to it not being effective. Due to the nature of the training, it is nearly impossible to conduct this training for a group virtually. I then reached out to the company and asked if it were still possible to have them come out and conduct the training. They agreed and stated that they felt it would be the best solution for our staff. Because the company was already booked in advance, they stated they would need to come out the week of July 7th. This would also not allow time for the 5-day quarantine. Due to the time constraints and the necessity of the training for public safety, it was my recommendation to go ahead and approve this request. However, it was declined. We are currently working with the online trainer's schedule to reschedule the virtual training. I must ensure that all the dispatchers are trained and comfortable with the new system prior to it being implemented. I do not have an accurate time frame of when that might be at this time.

Because our officers have previously used different RMS systems, they have successfully completed the training on the new system.

Police Services Division

As you may already be aware, we have suffered from some more incidents involving vehicle thefts and burglaries. A thorough investigation of the incidents has determined that juveniles involved in the previous incidents that took place a couple months back were the parties responsible for these incidents as well.



The individuals are being cited into the tribe besides criminal charges submitted to the state if appropriate. This is the same course of action we took before and will continue to take. As the Police Department, we have limitations and guidelines in which we need to follow legally.

The fact is, regardless of whether we had 1 or 3 officers constantly patrolling the city around the clock, it will not prevent someone from committing a crime should they want to. Overall, Saint Paul Island is a safe and mostly crime free community. We are dealing with juveniles getting into trouble because they are free to roam the streets at their leisure any time of day and night.

I believe the best way to combat this specific problem is through accountability and community involvement. I feel family and community members need to stand up and confront the parents of the select few juveniles causing the havoc in the community. They need to be held accountable for their kids' actions through peer and community pressure.

I am in the process of scheduling an open town meeting to discuss these issues and come up with some solutions on how we can better resolve these issues.

Fire Division

The department is still seeking volunteer firefighters. We are looking into a possible grant for HazMat Training.

EMS Division

Nothing to report.

Harbor Division

We have a vacancy for Harbor Master

Dispatch

We currently have two (2) Dispatcher positions available.

DPS Call Stats:

Police calls May 6 - July 8							
Driving complaint	2	Theft/ Burglary	4	Civil Assists	5	Suspicious Activity	2
Curfew/ Runaway	3	Trespass or removal	3	Domestic Violence	2	Harassment	3
Property Damage	1	Assault	3	Security Check	5	Lost/ Found Property	1
Parole Violations	1	Welfare Check	2	Sexual Assault	1		
EMS/ Fire Calls May 6 - July 8							
Total Calls for service	22	Medivac	2	Fire	0	Search and Rescue	0
Most calls for service did include use of the ambulance. No Covid 19 calls were included in any statistics							