



Date: February 1, 2016
To: Public Safety Commissioners
City of Independence Council Members
City of Maple Plain Council Members
From: Director Gary Kroells *G. Kroells*
SUBJECT: JANUARY 2016 ACTIVITY REPORT

The purpose of this report is to give the reader a quick overview of the activities of the Public Safety Department each month. It also compares monthly and year-to-date information to the reader.

The report is broken down into five categories, as defined by the Criminal Justice Reporting System.

CRIMINAL-- Criminal is broken down into Part I and Part II crimes.

Part I includes crimes against persons versus crimes against property; criminal homicide, forcible rape, robbery assault, aggravated assault, burglary -breaking or entering, larceny-theft, larceny analysis, motor vehicle theft and arson.

Part II includes other assaults, forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, stolen property, buying, receiving, possession; vandalism, weapons, carrying, possessing, etc.; prostitution and commercialized vice, sex offenses; drug abuse violations, gambling, offenses against the family and children, driving under the influence, liquor laws, drunkenness, disorderly conduct, vagrancy, all other offenses, suspicion, curfew and loitering laws - persons under 18; and runaways - persons under 18.

TRAFFIC-- Includes violations of the road and driving laws.

PART III-- Lost and Found: Includes lost and found persons, animals, and property, and stalled and abandoned vehicles.

PART IV-- Casualties: Includes all motor vehicle accidents, boating, and snowmobile; public home occupational accidents, fires, suicides, sudden deaths, burning permits, and burning violations.

PART V-- Miscellaneous Public: Includes open doors, gun permit applications, suspicious activities, animal complaints, motorist assists, alarm calls, parking complaints, house checks, driving complaints, civil matters, family disputes, department assists.

The balance of the report shows the total number of incidents handled, miles driven and how the Public Safety Department received calls. If anyone should desire more detailed statistical data, please contact my office.

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**Monthly Activity Report
January 2016**

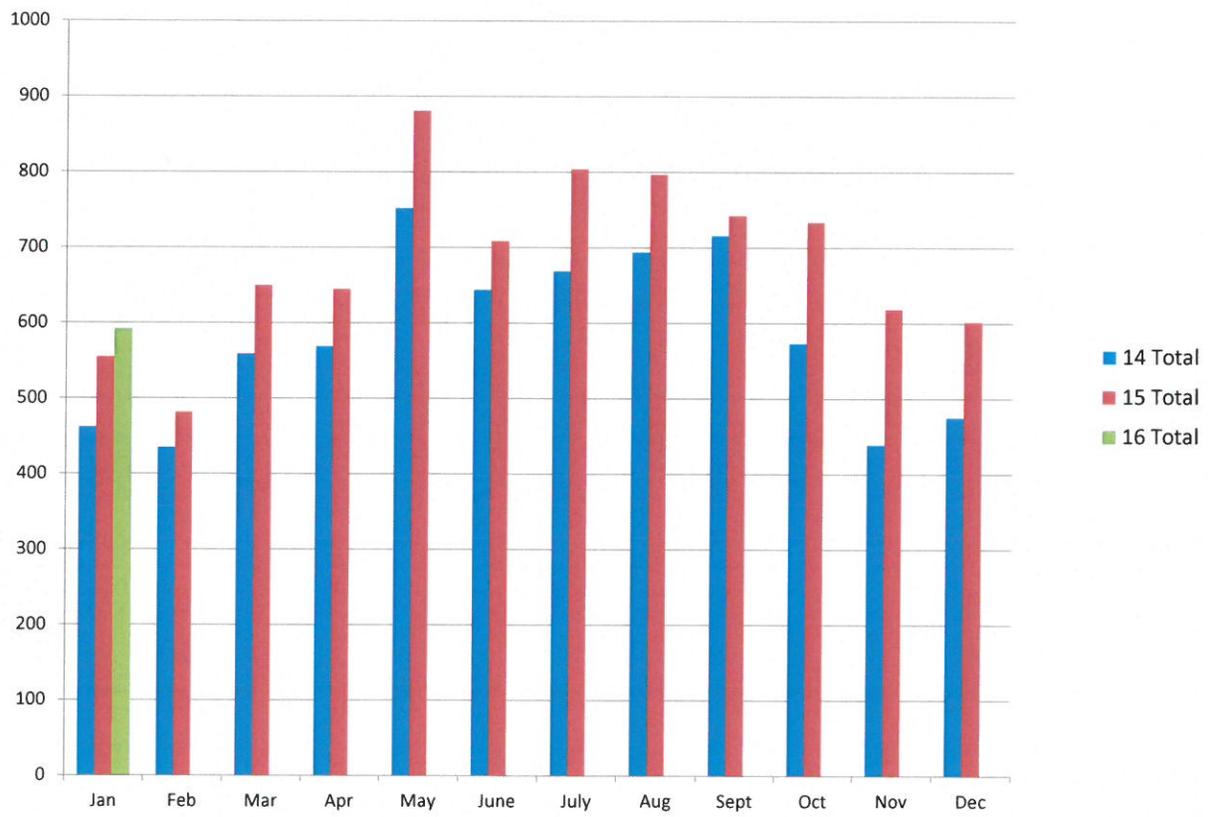
Offense	This Month	Same Month Last Year	This Year To Date	Last Year To Date
City Of Independence				
Criminal	6	8	6	8
Traffic	185	213	185	213
Part III	15	9	15	9
Part IV	40	38	40	38
Part V	136	116	136	116
Total City of Independence	382	384	382	384
City Of Maple Plain				
Criminal	3	4	3	4
Traffic	63	39	63	39
Part III	2	7	2	7
Part IV	22	26	22	26
Part V	115	72	115	72
Total City Of Maple Plain	205	148	205	148
Grand Total Both Cities				
	587	532	587	532
TZD	0	0	0	0
Agency Assists	5	23	5	23
Total ICR Reports	592	555	592	555
Mileage	13,577	11,062	13,577	11,062
How Received				
Fax	13	11	13	11
In Person	51	25	51	25
Mail	1	5	1	5
Other	8	2	8	2
Phone	34	34	34	34
Radio	170	177	170	177
Visual	275	274	275	274
Email	4	3	4	3
Lobby Walk In	36	24	36	24
Total	592	555	592	555

January 2016 Criminal Part I & II
City of Independence Grid #'s 3-5

AGN	ICR	Title	Create Date	Grid #	Reported Date	MOC range
WHPS	16000002	3rd Degree DWI Refusal	42370	3	42370	JFR01
WHPS	16000039	3rd Degree DWI/Alcohol Restriction/Forfeiture	42372	3	42372	JFW01
WHPS	16000071	Theft of Equipment	42374	3	42374	TC029
WHPS	16000312	Small Amount Marijuana in Motor Vehicle / Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	42386	3	42386	DA540
WHPS	16000450	Theft of Gas	42394	3	42394	TW159
WHPS	16000499	1st Degree DWI/Forfeiture	42396	3	42396	JDWE4

January 2016 Criminal Part I & II
City of Maple Plain Grid # 1-2

AGN	ICR	Title	Create Date	Grid #	Reported Date	MOC range
WHPS	16000318	Small Amount Marijuana in Motor Vehicle / Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	42386	2	42386	DA540
WHPS	16000390	Criminal Damage to Property / Vandalism	42390	1	42390	C1411
WHPS	16000565	Damage Prop/Vandalism/Rpt	42399	2	42399	P3129



DIRECTOR'S NEWS & NOTES

WEST HENNEPIN PUBLIC SAFETY

January 2016 Activity Report

Year to Date Activity Report

At the end of January 31st, 2016 West Hennepin Public Safety (WHPS) handled a total of 592 incident complaints, 205 incidents in Maple Plain and 382 in Independence. This is an increase of 37 incidents compared to the same time frame last year.

The Criminal Part I and Part II cases for both cities have been highlighted for your review on the attached documents.

Recent Highlighted Cases:

3rd Degree DWI Refusal

Jan 1, 2016 WHPS officer on patrol observed a lone eastbound vehicle on County Road 6 traveling at a high rate of speed 70/50 mph and failed to dim their high beam headlights. The squad car emergency lights were activated; the vehicle did not stop, continued and proceeded up the driveway of 7000 block of County Road 6 with the squad car behind and emergency lights still activated. The driver got out of his vehicle and proceeded on foot towards the front door of the residence. The driver stated he did not stop as he wanted to get home and go to bed. Brent Patrick Brehmer, 24 of Independence failed the field sobriety tests and refused to provide a breath sample. Brehmer was arrested for 3rd Degree DWI Refusal and transported to Hennepin County Jail.

Medical

Jan 1 WHPS Officer responded to Vinland Center, 3675 Ihduhapi Trail, Independence for a male who had seizures and was unconscious. Upon officer arrival the male was conscious but had chest pains. A witness reported the male had been drinking cough medicine. The 26 year old male was transported to the hospital.

Traffic Complaint / Careless Driving

Jan 2 Caller reported a traffic complaint of a vehicle westbound on Highway 12 near County Line Road, Independence. WHPS officer located the vehicle as it was driving on the shoulder and attempted to stop it. The driver continued driving, entered into a shopping area in Delano, drove through several parking lots and would not pull over with the squad car following with emergency lights activated and sirens sounding. WHPS squad 'boxed in' the vehicle as there were people and pedestrians everywhere. The female driver, 55 from St. Paul got out of her vehicle, was unsteady on her feet and stated she had a brain injury and said she did not have a valid driver's license. The driver was not alcohol impaired. The female was cited for Careless Driving and Driving after Cancellation. Family members were called to pick her up and the impounded vehicle.

3rd Degree DWI / Forfeiture

Jan 3 Vehicle stopped for a headlight out at Co Rd 92 and Highway 12, Independence. The driver, William Edward Spangler, 50 from Rockford was found driving under the influence of alcohol. Spangler provided a breath sample of .11 breath alcohol concentration and was arrested for 3rd Degree DWI, Gross Misdemeanor Alcohol Restriction Violation and his vehicle is pending forfeiture.

Verbal Domestic

Jan 3 WHPS Officer responded to the 9000 block of Highway 12, Independence for a person who would not leave. The unwanted person's property was thrown out into the snow and car keys were lost somewhere in the snow. The keys were found in the snow and the person agreed to leave.

Theft

Jan 5 Someone stole equipment from the 5500 block of Co Rd 6, Independence. A chainsaw, leaf and back pack blower were stolen. The case is under investigation.

Intoxicated Problem

Jan 6 Business in the 4800 block of Highway 12, Maple Plain reported a female that was refused service became irate and was banging her head on the bar. It was found the female was having some kind of medical problem and was transported by North Memorial Ambulance to the hospital.

Vehicle in the Ditch

Jan 7 A vehicle went in the ditch at Independence Rd and Pagenkopf Rd, Independence. The motorist stated the roads were icy and his vehicle went straight and would not turn. No injuries.

Possible Theft

Jan 8 Reported someone broke into a storage unit in the 6000 block of Highway 12, Independence. List of items stolen are pending. The case is under investigation.

Locked In

Jan 9 Female called she was locked inside her vehicle and the car would start in the 1500 block of Howard Ave. Maple Plain. WHPS officer found the driver door was partially open, pushed the door closed and had the driver pull up on the door lock and the door opened. Everything was okay.

Crash

Jan 9 A property damage crash at Co Rd 6 and Co Rd 83, Independence. 46 year old female driver from Delano was stopped on Co Rd 6 at the intersection and her vehicle was rear-ended by 22 year old female driver from Minneapolis. The 22 year old driver saw the vehicle was stopped and the brake lights on; stated she hit her brakes but nothing happened and she was unable to stop. She was issued a citation for 'Fail to Drive with Due Care.' No injuries.

Traffic

Jan 9 WHPS officer observed a vehicle cross the center line at Highway 12 and Co Rd. 90, Independence. The 23 year old driver stated the window defrost was not working and she was scraping the windshield so that she could see. The driver did not have a valid driver's license and did not have insurance on her vehicle. The vehicle was impounded and family picked up the driver. The driver was cited for 'driving without a license' and 'no insurance on a motor vehicle.'

Unwanted Person

Jan 10 At 9:23 p.m. a male was acting suspicious by entering and exiting the building multiple times at Vinland Center, 3675 Ihduhapi Trail, Independence. He was asked to leave as it was after hours, got into his vehicle and hung around for 20 minutes. The 32 year old male from Fridley was located. Stated he had been visiting his girlfriend. He was told to contact Vinland to arrange future meetings with his girlfriend.

Suspicious Act / Warrant Arrest

Jan 11 Caller reported a male was riding a bicycle around Maple Plain bank on Highway 12, Maple Plain. The 46 year old male from Brooklyn Park was located. The male had 5 warrants out for his arrest. Gross Misdemeanor for a DWI, 4 Misdemeanors; Driving after Cancellation, two for trespassing and one for flee on foot from peace officer. He was arrested and transported to Hennepin County Jail.

Solicitor Citation

Jan 12 WHPS officer observed a Halverson Steak van leaving the 5000 block of Independence Street, Maple Plain. The vehicle was stopped and found 27 year old driver from Oakdale and passenger 40 year old male from Maplewood did not have a city solicitor's license. Both were issued citations for soliciting without a permit and to stop selling until a permit was purchased.

No Pay

Jan 13 At 1:04 a.m. taxi driver reported a customer was not paying for his ride in the 1500 block of Howard Ave. Maple Plain. The 63 year old male from Maple Plain, credit card was maxed out and he could not pay for the \$60.70 fee. It was agreed to wait until Feb 1st for the balance to be paid.

Warrant Pick Up

Jan 13 Sherburne County Sheriffs Officer reported a male at the Vinland Center, 3675 Ihduhapi Trail, Independence had an active warrant and wanted him arrested and picked up. The 24 year old male from Monticello had two warrants: Probation violation for Controlled Substance – Dangerous Drug and Probation violation sell marijuana. The male was transported to Hennepin County Jail.

Agency Assist Fatal Crash

Jan 13 WHPS officers assisted Wright County Sheriff's Office with traffic control while they were assisting the victims of a three vehicle crash in Delano.

Agency Assist DWI

Jan 13 WHPS officer was assisting Wright County Sheriff's Office with directing traffic at Highway 12 and Ebersole Ave SE, Delano. The driver of a vehicle would not turn around to head east on Highway 12. The 34 year old driver Shar Doo from St. Paul opened his window and the officer could smell the odor of breath alcohol and he showed signs of impairment. Doo gave a preliminary breath test sample which resulted in .23 AC. Wright County Sheriff's Office responded and took custody of Doo for DWI arrest.

Property Damage Crash

Jan 14 WHPS responded to a crash at Highway 12 and Co Rd 92N, Independence. The 48 year old male driver from Big Lake was south bound Co 92N waiting to turn left to go east on Highway 12. A westbound vehicle on Highway 12 was in the turn lane to go north on Co 92 which made it difficult to see. The driver pulled out to turn east and did not see a westbound vehicle in the traffic lane and they collided. An attempted swerve to miss the vehicle was made; the vehicle was struck on the driver's side. No injuries.

Suspicious Act

Jan 18 At 10:28 p.m. caller reported suspicious vehicles parked on the roadway at Pioneer Creek Rd and Quass Cutoff, Independence. WHPS officer located the unoccupied vehicle. A note on the vehicles dash said "coyote hunting'. The caller was advised of the officer's findings.

Traffic Complaint

Jan 19 Caller wanted to express his feelings on how unsafe the intersection of Highway 12 and Co Rd 90, Independence is. The caller was concerned as he drives westbound every morning on Highway 12, he stops behind a w/b vehicle turning south on Co Rd 90 and other drivers pass in the right turn lane and continue on. He was advised that changes are going to be made in the near future regarding the intersection.

Motorist Aid

Jan 20 WHPS officer stopped to assist a SUV pulled off to the shoulder of the road with its hazard lights flashing at Highway 12 / Co Rd 90, Independence. The motorist had run out of gas and had attempted to put gas into the vehicle from a gas can with a safety nozzle on it. The motorist had problems using the gas can and did not get enough gas into the vehicle. She was transported to the gas station to purchase additional gas and WHPS officer poured the gas into the tank. The motorist was able to drive her vehicle.

Check Fraud

Jan 21 Someone created a business check and duplicated a signature on a check in the 1800 block of Pioneer Creek, Maple Plain. The bank had caught it and did not let the check go through. The case is under investigation.

Traffic Complaint

Jan 22 At 12:14 a.m. caller reported a vehicle was all over the road at Co Rd 6 and Copeland Rd, Independence. The vehicle was located and would not stop for the squad car with its red lights on. The vehicle finally stopped and found the driver 29 year old male from St. Paul was confused, did not know where he was or how he got there and stated he was diabetic. Candy was given to him and North Memorial Ambulance assisted in assessing the male. The male was not able to drive and friends arrived to drive his truck and help him home.

Assist

Jan 22 A male that was staying at Vinland Center, 3675 Ihduhapi Trail, Independence called the police wanting to leave but did not have a ride. Before officer arrival response was canceled. The male was meeting with his social worker to work it out and would call the police if needed further help.

Crash / Medical

Jan 22 Caller reported an elderly female driver drove at a very slow speed through the intersection of County Road 6 and County Road 17, Independence and went down into the cattails. The 58 year old driver from Delano was transported to the hospital by ambulance.

Crash/ Vehicle in the ditch

Jan 23 Reported a trailer towed by a vehicle went into the ditch at Highway 12 and Oak Street, Maple Plain. The driver had not put the safety pin in the trailer because the lock was hard to open and he was afraid the key would break off. As he turned onto the roadway the trailer broke both chains, disconnected and went down into the ditch. The trailer had damage to the front right panel.

Traffic Complaint

Jan 23 11:51 p.m. reported traffic complaint of a vehicle all over the road at Highway 12 and Baker Park Rd, Maple Plain. The driver was located slow and sluggish and said he had a long day, may have been distract because he was petting his dog and that the cold that he has made him drowsy. Friends responded to pick him up as it was determined it was not safe for him to drive.

4th Degree DWI

Jan 27 Traffic complaint of a vehicle swerving all over the roadway at Highway 12 and Co Rd 92N, Independence. WHPS officer observed the vehicle swerving from the fog line to the center line and crossing over the center line. Driver Cynthia Marie Jackson Hengel, 53 from Woodland was arrested for 4th Degree DWI, breath alcohol concentration was .15 AC. Vehicle pending forfeiture.

Agency Assist Stearns County Sheriff's Office

Jan 27 An Apprehension and Detain Warrant arrest was received for a female at Vinland Center, 3675 Ihduhapi Trail, Independence. The 39 year old female had violated her probation. WHPS officers picked her up and Stearns Co Sheriff's Office transported her to their jail.

Welfare Check

Jan 30 At 2:32 a.m. WHPS Officer responded to a welfare check on a female in the 5300 block of Highway 12, Maple Plain. Caller reported the female has been in the bathroom for about a half hour and no response to his pounding on the door and yelling. The door was kicked in and found the shower was running, the screen in the bathroom had been pushed out, the window was open and the room was empty. The male had met the female on line, unknown who she is and said he would pay for the damages.

Property Damage / Vandalism

Jan 30 At 11:11 p.m. WHPS responded to the Rainbow Park in Maple Plain for reported vandalism and property damage. Someone had drawn and written profanity inside walls fo the warming house. The wooden cubby shoe holders inside the warming house had multiple broken shelves. The case is under investigation. If anyone has any leads please contact WHPS at 763-497-0500.