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To: Town Board
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Re: Monthly Police Report for November 2021

During the month of October 2021, the La Pointe Police responded to the following:

142	Incidents/Complaints (calls for service)
32	Citizen Assists
1	Accidents
0	Civil Process
6	False Alarm/911 hang up calls.
3	Call Out
1	Animal Calls
3	Parking Citations

Well, there is a coolness in the air, the leaves are almost gone, and it is budget time, proving that the hard work we do all summer continues into the winter. The incident numbers have decreased as the visitors to the island have decreased. For some reason, we are still having issues with speeders, but mainly visitors. At least (for now) the numbers for 911 hang-up calls have gone down.

Three officers attended a domestic violence training that was held in Red Cliff at the beginning of October. We also had an inhouse training for firearms. We are trying to put together some more in house training for November and December with arrest tactic update and taser updates.

We handed out led flashing Halloween necklaces for Halloween night.

As I had stated in a previous report, there is an officer shortage all over the state and even worse here in the north woods. There are currently 10 police officer openings in the Chequamegon Bay Area and there is great competition to attain officers, even from other departments. One thing is for sure, there will be a lack of coverage with staffing issues that we will need to address if any of our guys leave for one of these positions. We need to come up with a reason for officers to come and stay here on the island before we have no coverage. What I have for coverage now will not last forever unless we become competitive in the market.

If there are any questions or wish to discuss things within the department, please feel free to come talk to me.