LA POINTE POLICE DEPARTMENT



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To: Town Board

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Date: 1/3/2024

Re: Monthly Police Report for January

During the month of December 2023, the La Pointe Police issued the following:

- 0 Parking Citations
- 0 Traffic Citations
- 0 Ordinance Citations
- Arrests transported off island.
- O Arrests released to responsible parties.

Welcome to 2024, in this month's report, I want to break down the calls that have come for the island in the month of December, whether it be to our department or the county. Our calls for service are very low, even for a normal year, and what contributes to that is the calls we are not getting as the County has received them, whether they respond is another story.

First for our calls that stand out. There was a burglary that occurred on a night there was no island officer on duty, however it was discovered and reported to the on-duty island officer. This case is still being investigated, if anyone has any information, please contact the La Pointe Police Department.

There were two calls that were held over for island officer to return, one involved a firearm theft that should not have been held over at all. Our officer who got the call was able to retrieve the firearm over in Washburn, there are details in this call I can not disclose, but this is a call that should have been handled immediately by the County, we are lucky with the outcome we had. The Washburn Police Department aided us in retrieving the firearm. The other call was a person who called in that they thought they left their oven on.

Another call the county passed over this month was a welfare check and had the ambulance check on it. This welfare check had a good outcome, but I wonder what would have happened if the ambulance walked into a crime scene as all unwitnessed deaths are considered crime scenes until they are not.

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The county took in 8 calls including one disturbance that they initially started to come over but held in Bayfield as the incident was not what they thought it was as it turned into a theft call where they met the complainant in Bayfield. Calls ranged from burglar alarms, an alarm at the museum and service calls. Not once did a deputy step foot on Madeline Island.

Karl Williams Graduated from the police academy in on December 19<sup>th</sup>, he was the top of the class academically. You may have already seen him training in with Sgt Rossberger and Myself.

I will be headed to the Chiefs Association Legislative Days on January 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. I will have the opportunity to meet with legislators from across the state. I have gotten with Michael to have a handout for me to give legislators regarding our situation with the County and the island law enforcement issues where it comes to funding. The Chief's association has made it possible to meet with the legislators, I feel that this is a great opportunity to gain help in Madison while I have the opportunity.

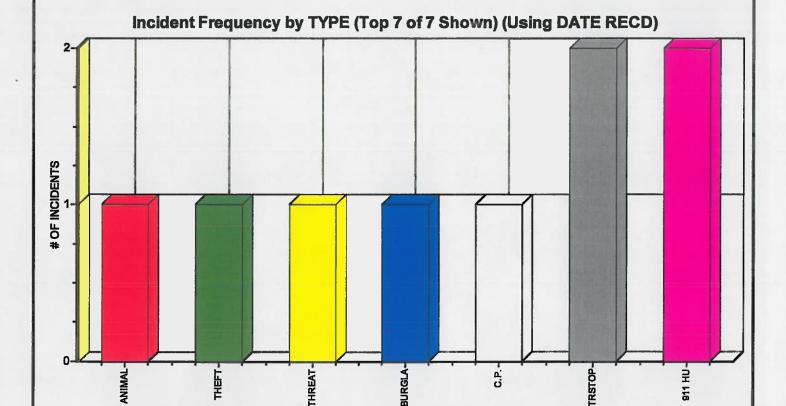
In February, I will be heading to training with the Wisconsin Police Leadership Foundation, which is the annual training I attend.

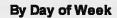
Speaking of training, the rest of the department that needs training will be heading to training between now and June 30<sup>th</sup>.

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



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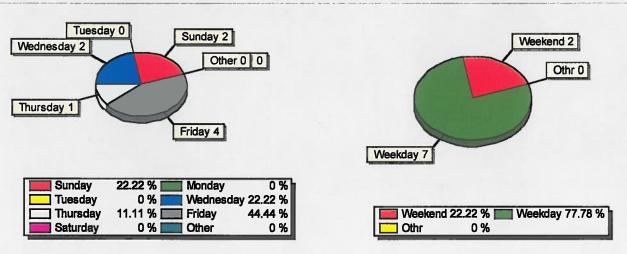




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