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To: Mayor Kemper & Members of the City Council.
Administrator Cox

From: Todd Byerly
Chief of Police

Date: August 1, 2022

Re: Police Department Report – July

The Douglas Police Department will once again have the Command Trailer for Fair week. This year, the Fire Department will have their trailer set up beside us. The two agencies have partnered and will be having a kids cornhole game. On one side of the cornhole set will be the DPD patch, and the other will have the fire department emblem. We will be giving out DPD swag to the kids as we did last year. Please feel free to stop by during fair.

Lt Matthews and Chief Byerly met with the Wyoming State Fair Manager and fair security to discuss fair safety measures. An all-agencies meeting is planned for August 15, 2022.

We will be assigning officers to the fairgrounds during special events to limit our officers working the street from having to respond to the fairgrounds while increasing fair safety. Additional resources were requested from other local agencies. Glenrock Police and Highway Patrol have dedicated resources to assist us during the fair. A special thanks to those agencies.

Chief Byerly, Lt Matthews, and Chief Felton of Glenrock Police Department met with the Converse County Public Health Coordinator about a security plan in case of a public health emergency within our respective jurisdictions.

We completed firearms proficiencies the week of July 25, 2022.

Chief Byerly attended a Wyoming Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission meeting on July 28, 2022.

We had two interviews for the open positions of patrol officers. The new process seems to be working great as we moved one into background and the other completes the PT assessment the week of August 1. We have created two (2) new items to assist us in recruiting. The first is a recruitment flyer that highlights the City of Douglas, police department, and its benefits. The other is a "calling card" which can be handed to individuals that the officers or other staff has contact with that they feel would fit the community and city.

We have received out twelve portable radios and the mobile radio from our Homeland Security grant. We are waiting on the chargers for the portables, we will then assign the new portables.

Officer Kelley attended the National Association of School Resource Officers Conference July 3- 8. Officer Kelley came back with a lot of pertinent information to officers in schools and proactive ideas. One area relates to juvenile diversion. We will be having a meeting with major stakeholders on August 3 to look at opportunities in this area.

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Officer Evans will be moving into the schools in the very near future. She will be attending Basic School Resource Officer School August 15 – 19, 2022. This is a 40+ hour course that focuses on the roles and responsibilities of SRO's working in a school setting as well as understanding the teen brain, de-escalation techniques, mentoring, etc. This will be a great training for Officer Evans.

Officer Boonstra and Reiter attended Patrol Officer Response to Street Drugs Training. This training will work to enhance the abilities and skills of the officers to identify, detect, and articulate to a judge or jury, the officer's apprehension of drug traffickers, distributors, or drug impaired persons.

Sgt Toman will be attending First Line Supervision Training at the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy. This training is focused on effective supervision, legal aspects, documentation of performance, managing and evaluating performance, and shaping and changing subordinates' behaviors.

Sgt Cowardin will be attending the National Crisis Intervention Team Training. He has partnered with Lisa Patterson, Converse County Prevention Specialist, to help defray the cost of this training. A special thank you to Lisa.

Several officers will be attending the First Responder Mental Health Training in Casper, WY, from August 22 – 24. This training is paid for through funds of the 66th Legislature and focuses on development of the best practices for prevention, identification, intervention and mitigation of life impacting events for first responders.

As a Board Member of the Wyoming Peace Officers and Standards and Training Commission, I will be attending a virtual Advance Board Member Training August 8, 2022.

Officer Voigt graduated from the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy on July 28, 2022. During his training he was recognized for his physical fitness as he received the FIT for duty pin. To receive this, he had to meet or exceed a 75% average of the state requirements for the 1.5-mile run, push-ups, and sit-ups. Congratulations Officer Voigt.

Officer Byler will be attending the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy beginning August 29, 2022.

Enclosed is a letter of appreciation.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd A. Byerly