



## **From the Desk of Chief Domonic Campbell Monthly Report for Police Department**

**Date: April 1, 2020**

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### **Special Notes**

**Our department collected 2.3 pounds of pills this month.**

**Our department finally received an interview camera to be installed in our interview room. We had applied for a grant over two years ago to cover the cost of this camera. About 6 months ago we were told our application was finally approved, but they did not have the money yet to distribute. The Governor's Crime Commission has been involved in lawsuits that initially held up approval of grants and even now we have not been able to proceed due to the fact that they still have not received the funds to distribute for the grants. We were finally given authority to go ahead and purchase the interview camera so that we will be able to meet the state requirement to video certain police interviews.**

**With the near completion of the Cellular Tower on Tucker Rd. The police department has established a relationship with NetMotion to help us have better connectivity throughout the Village of Whispering Pines. Once the tower goes live, we should have uninterrupted connections back to the Police Department. Having this software will keep our laptops connected even if we hit a dead zone with no cellular coverage. We will also have the capability to print to the office from our patrol cars as well as being able to view our live records management software and lookup past encounters. This will also help us with report writing as well as daily logs. The amount of work that we do that is dependent on internet connections is astonishing and most wouldn't even realize how critical it is for the Police Department to effectively and safely perform our job requirements.**

**We celebrated Chief Graham's and Lisa Weaver's birthdays this month.**

## Events of interest for the month of March 2020

### 1. There were twelve (12) incidents that were investigated this month.

**Of these incidents, two (2) involved an arrest with 3 total charges.**

*After an arrest, officers are unavailable for at least 2 hours while processing and booking subjects at the Moore County Jail in Carthage. Serving a criminal summons does not require detaining or taking the subject to jail.*

- **March 4<sup>th</sup> – Failure to appear on a driving while license revoked.** As a result of a traffic stop the officer determined that the driver of the vehicle had an outstanding order for arrest out of Bladen County for failure to appear on a driving while license revoked charge. The officer issued the driver a citation for driving while license revoked and then placed the driver under arrest and transported him to the Moore County Jail.
- **March 5<sup>th</sup> – Fraud.** A resident of Rafferty Court reported that she received a text from what appeared to be a friend requesting her to purchase \$300.00 worth of Amazon gift cards. She purchased the cards and then received a text to take a photo of the cards and send them back via text. Then she received another text requesting she buy more Amazon gift cards. At this point she got suspicious and called her friend. The friend indicated that she did not send her any texts.
- **March 6<sup>th</sup> – Welfare check for suicidal person.** An officer was requested by 911 to do a welfare check on a teenager who lives on Lakeview Drive. An anonymous tip was called into a tip line about the teenager possibly harming himself. An officer went to the residence and found that no one was home. The officer later spoke to an adult at the residence who said everything was fine.
- **March 10<sup>th</sup> – Violation of Village ordinance (dog at large).** A woman reported that while walking her leashed dog on South Lakeshore Drive, two dogs ran out of a yard and attacked her dog. Her dog was bitten twice. The dog owners heard the commotion and came out to get their dogs back in the yard. The victim is concerned about whether the two dogs were up to date on their vaccinations. The dog owner was issued a warning ticket for the violation as this is the first violation.
- **March 10<sup>th</sup> – Forgery/uttering check and obtaining property by false pretense.** A resident of Carthage reported that her bank notified her that she had some checks come back for insufficient funds. The woman went to the bank and found out that a lot of checks were made payable to the Food Lion in Whispering Pines that she did not write or authorize. The woman said someone was periodically stealing checks from her house. All of the checks had been scanned in to the point of sale system at the store except for one check that had been hand written.

- **March 20<sup>th</sup> – Vandalism.** A resident of Periwinkle Court reported that someone had banged on her door and may have damaged it. There was no damage but several mailboxes in the area were damaged. Officers were able to locate 4 teenagers who were responsible for the damages. Officers contacted all of the parents of the teenagers to inform them of the events. The parents of all the teenagers have agreed to reimburse the victims for the repairs to the mailboxes.
- **March 20<sup>th</sup> – Intoxicated person.** A resident of Shadow Drive reported that his adult son was intoxicated and arguing with his father. When the officer arrived, the adult son was sleeping and his parents stated they wanted their credit card back. The officer was able to get the credit card to return to the parents. The adult son was advised to sleep it off in his room for the night to deescalate the situation.
- **March 24<sup>th</sup> – Property damage.** The Whispering Pines Country Club reported that a woman driving a golf cart ran over a metal railing and drove over an embankment. The driver of the golf cart forgot to put the golf cart in reverse and drove over the embankment. The driver was taken to the hospital to be checked out.
- **March 25<sup>th</sup> – Drug overdose, Possession of heroin, and possession of drug paraphernalia.** An officer received a call in reference to an overdose on Goldenleaf Circle. When the officer arrived there was a male lying on the kitchen floor. He was not responding to anything. A female at the residence told the officer the male overdosed on heroin and there was drug paraphernalia on the table in the kitchen. A member of the Fire Department administered Narcan to the individual. The male improved and was able to sit up. The male refused to go to the hospital. The male's girlfriend advised the officer that her boyfriend still had some heroin in his pants pocket. The officer photographed all of the drug paraphernalia on the table (syringe, spoon, cotton balls). The officer then patted down the male and found some heroin in his pocket. The officer photographed all of the items and then seized them for placement into evidence. The officer then placed the male under arrest for possession of heroin and drug paraphernalia.
- **March 27<sup>th</sup> – Lost property.** A resident of Robins Roost reported that he lost his wallet. His wallet contained his drivers license and credit cards. He later found his wallet.
- **March 28<sup>th</sup> – Identity theft.** A resident of Winding Trail reported that she checked her mail and found she had twelve letters from a bank that had a total of 12 debit cards. The resident never opened an account with this bank. The resident contacted the bank and they advised her to file a police report.

## 2. There were six (6) traffic accidents in the Village this month.

- **March 2<sup>nd</sup>** – An accident occurred in a parking lot off Highway 22. A vehicle backed out of a parking space into a parked vehicle. There were no injuries and both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene.
- **March 3<sup>rd</sup>** – An accident occurred at the intersection of Niagara Carthage Road and Vass Carthage Road. A vehicle failed to stop at the stop sign and struck a vehicle that was in the intersection. One person was taken to the hospital from the scene. Also, one vehicle had to be towed from the scene.
- **March 12<sup>th</sup>** – An accident occurred on Azalea Way. A driver had a medical emergency which caused him to go off the roadway and strike a tree. The driver was taken by EMS to the hospital to be checked out. The vehicle was left at the scene to be picked up later.
- **March 13<sup>th</sup>** – An accident occurred on Niagara Carthage Road. A deer ran out in front of a vehicle and the vehicle collided with the deer. There were no injuries and the vehicle was able to be driven from the scene.
- **March 24<sup>th</sup>** – An accident occurred on Niagara Carthage Road when a deer ran out in front of a vehicle. The vehicle collided with the deer. There were no injuries and the vehicle was able to be driven from the scene.
- **March 26<sup>th</sup>** – An accident occurred on Niagara Carthage Road. A vehicle turned left into the path of an oncoming vehicle, striking the vehicle and spun the vehicle around causing it to strike a trailer attached to a vehicle that was parked on the side of the roadway. There were no injuries reported but two vehicles had to be towed from the scene.

### **3. Safety (Department)**

- We continue to provide training for police staff above what is required.
- Officers are not conducting traffic stops, except for serious violations, to protect the safety of the officers and the public.
- Due to the coronavirus pandemic, officers are no longer responding to some EMS calls if the patient's symptoms could possibly be related to this virus.
- The police department is now restricting visitors to the police department, only allowing them in the lobby. Visitors may not enter the rest of the police building.
- The police department has also suspended fingerprinting services and child ID services for the officers' safety and the public's safety.

### **7. Safety (Village)**

- Officers have performed numerous saturation patrols all month on Niagara Carthage Road and Lakeview Drive.
- Due to increased traffic at Food Lion, officers have conducted additional foot patrols on a daily basis.

## **7. Other Events of Interest**

- **March 18<sup>th</sup>** – Lt. Dozier attended the monthly investigators meeting that was held at Sandhills Community College. Topics of common concern are discussed among local law enforcement agencies during these meetings.

## **7. Ordinance Violations**

Parked in right-of-way – 6

Parked in right-of-way – 1 (civil penalty)

Parked in roadway - 1

Park violations – 1 (civil penalty)

## Statistics 2020

MONTH	INCIDENTS	ARRESTS	ARREST CHARGES	ACCIDENTS	WARNINGS	WARNING CHARGES	CITATIONS	CITATION CHARGES	COMMUNITY HOUSE CHECKS	BUSINESS CHECKS
January	21	12	16	2	70	74	86	123	435	1,080
February	54*	2	6	4	50	54	55	73	261	1,026
March**	12	2	3	6	19	19	24	27	252	1,080
April										
May										
June										
July										
August										
September										
October										
November										
December										
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>948</b>	<b>3,186</b>

\*High number due to American Express fraud reports

\*\*Reduced traffic enforcement due to Covid 19

## Statistics 2019

MONTH	INCIDENTS	ARRESTS	ARREST CHARGES	ACCIDENTS	WARNINGS	WARNING CHARGES	CITATIONS	CITATION CHARGES	COMMUNITY HOUSE CHECKS	BUSINESS CHECKS
January	41	7	15	4	103	116	121	167	503	1,107
February	25	11	22	2	93	114	82	118	515	954
March	24	11	22	4	153	166	114	153	466	1,098
April	26	10	18	5	89	99	87	133	445	1,042
May	23	10	17	1	93	102	75	106	580	1,113
June	12	8	12	2	129	137	77	105	667	1,006
July	24	11	17	4	98	106	81	110	729	1,044
August	19	8	22	1	79	82	63	88	545	1,015
September	24	14	31	1	65	68	97	132	368	1,010
October	21	9	14	4	60	67	96	121	327	925
November	10	12	27	4	90	97	108	150	328	1,008
December	22	8	13	5	77	84	85	113	546	1,044
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1,129</b>	<b>1,238</b>	<b>1,086</b>	<b>1,496</b>	<b>6,019</b>	<b>12,366</b>

# Activity Log Event Summary (Cumulative Totals)

## Whispering Pines Police Department

### (03/01/2020 - 03/31/2020)

Accident/No fatality	6	Animal Complaint	3
Arrest - All Other	1	Arrest - Drug Violation	1
ASSIST - CITIZEN	3	ASSIST - EMS	13
ASSIST - FIRE DEPARTMENT	3	ASSIST - MOTORIST	2
ASSIST - OFFICER	9	Bank Deposit	6
Business Check	28	Case Follow Up	8
Child Safety Seat Install/Inspect	1	Citation - All Other	2
Citation - Displaying an Expired Registration	4	Citation - Drivers License Revoked. (G.S. 20-28)	4
Citation - Failing to Stop at a Duly Erected Stop	1	Citation - Failure to Register	1
Citation - Fictitious Plate	1	Citation - Inspection	1
Citation - No Operating License	5	Citation - Speeding	8
CITIZEN CONTACT	31	Cleaned Patrol Vehicle	5
COURT	1	Directing Traffic	2
Disturbance Call	2	Driveway Permits (Chief only)	2
Fingerprint Subject at PD	3	Foot Patrol at Food Lion Plaza	58
Incident - Damage to Property	1	Incident - Fraud	4
Incident - Lost Property	1	Incident - Ordinance Violations	1
Incident - Other	2	Incident - Vandalism	1
Intoxicated Person(s)	1	Investigate (All Other)	24
Investigate Resident Emergency Light	2	Investigate Traffic Complaint (via 911 or person)	2
Investigate Village Ordinance Complaint	11	Meeting	13
Mutual Aid	3	Ordinance Violations (Civil Penalty)	2
Park Patrol	57	Request visit by Citizen	13
Research	5	RESIDENCE CHECKS	30
RESPOND TO ALARM CALL	4	Saturation Patrol	14
SCHOOL/TRAINING	18	Speed Trailer	4
Store Closing	51	Suspicious Person	3
Suspicious Vehicle	9	Unlock locked vehicle	6
Vehicle Servicing	4	Warning Ticket - Exceeding Posted Speed	7
Warning Ticket - Expired Registration	4	Warning Ticket - Failure to Stop at Stop Sign	2
Warning Ticket - Violation of Village Ordinance	7	Welcome New Resident	5
Welfare Check Request	3		

**Total Number Of Events: 529**

## GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

**Goal #1: To provide a uniform standard that will enable personnel of the department to be more consistent in procedures when handling situations.**

Daily briefings are being conducted by officers at shift changes. The Sergeant and Master Officer have also discussed monthly schedule and operational concerns with all officers this month.

There were no revised policies this month.

All officers completed policy reviews of General Order 041 – High Visibility Traffic Vest and General Order 042 – Naloxone Usage.

**Goal #2: To provide for education and further development of department personnel to enhance officer and department professionalism.**

This month Officer Cirillo completed the following state mandated in service training: 2020 Long-Term Effects of Childhood Adversity.

This month Officer Hinson completed the following state mandated in service training: 2020 Communication Strategies When Encountering Persons who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing.

This month Officer Strickland completed the on line course Vehicle Safety 201, Vacation Travel Safety, and Using Rear Facing Car Seats Beyond Age One which is needed to renew his Child Seat Technician certification.

Lt. Dozier successfully completed his DCI recertification for Criminal Record Inquiries on March 20<sup>th</sup> and is now certified for another two years.

**Goal #3: Provide for a higher degree of personal contact between community and department personnel.**

Officers welcomed 5 new residents this month and provided the new residents with a police “Welcome Packet” describing many of the services offered by our department.

Child IDs – 0

The monthly LEO meeting was cancelled this month.

Child seat installations – 1

**Goal #4: Conduct special enforcement programs and participate in GHSP campaigns.**

No checkpoints were conducted this month.

**Goal #5: Continue current crime prevention programs to maintain the Village’s low crime statistics.**

Senior Officer McNeill has left our department this month to join the Sheriff’s Office.



A traffic complaint was received for stop sign violations on Lakeview Drive at Niagara Carthage Road. Officers have been conducting saturation patrols in the area this month.

Officers have conducted:

House checks – 217 (average 8 a day)

Business checks – 1,080

Store closings – 51

Food Lion foot patrols - 58

We continue to have 12 seniors in the Senior Call In Program.

We provided the The New Pitch with stats from March.

We have 4 certified child seat technicians. 3 officers and the Sergeant are certified child seat technicians. This month, Officer Hinson and Officer Strickland completed all of the requirements to recertify as a child seat technician for another two years.

**Goal #6: Proactive approach in looking for safety concerns.**

In our efforts to meet OSHA requirements, quarterly and yearly reviews of the Infectious Disease Control Plan have been scheduled. The next quarterly review will be scheduled for June 2020.