



Council Update – Chief of Police

April 11, 2023, 2023

Promotional Process – The written test with supervisory proctor will begin this week and conclude in the coming days. The Assessment Center will take place on April 22nd and three (3) will be promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

Lateral Personnel – We are in the process of evaluating our applicant pool and more specifically, lateral transfers of police officers from other agencies. Tentatively, it appears as if we will have a lateral start with our department on April 24, 2023. Additionally, steps are underway for potentially another lateral to take effect in early May 2023.

Federal Agency Task Forces – We are extending our partnership with the US Marshal's Office post the 90-day beta testing to an additional six-months with the recent success we have experienced with Officer Donovan's participation. Job well done!

Detective Bureau – Detective Fleming issued one warrant and submitted a case to be presented for Grand Jury. He also submitted two subpoenas for fraud cases. Detective Briley closed two cases and submitted two cases for presentation at Grand Jury. He sent five cases to the Juvenile Prosecutor for presentation in Juvenile court. Detective Briley also processed two stolen vehicles that were recovered and sent evidence to the lab for processing. Detective Sgt. Otte located several victims whose property was stolen from them. The property was recovered from a suspect arrested for stealing mail from houses in Bexley. The suspect will be facing more charges for the stolen items recovered.

The renovation to the Detective Bureau office space is nearing completion and Lieutenant Holdren has moved to his new desk.

Detectives have diligently completed all background investigations for the current police officer applicants. The packets have been turned over to the Chief and Deputy Chief for review.

Animal Control – There have been a few coyote sightings in Bexley and people have asked "Is this normal?". It is very normal. Coyotes are in all 88 counties in Ohio. They adapt very well to living in urban areas as rural areas are declining.

Here are some tips from the Ohio Wildlife Center:

Coyotes adapt well to new environments, and their presence should not invoke fear. It is, however, good to take precautions to prevent close encounters between your pets and a coyote. Coyotes mainly prey on rodents, rabbits and deer, but sometimes, outdoor cats and unleashed dogs can be seen as prey. If you encounter a coyote, or know of one in your neighborhood, it is advisable to:

- Keep cats indoors
- Keep your dog on a shorter leash if you walk it at night
- Wave your hands and look as big as possible

Although coyote attacks on humans are extremely rare, never run from coyotes. If you would like to learn more, check out the Urban Coyote Research Project at <https://urbancoyotersearch.com/>.

Statistics:

Start Date	End Date	Calls for Service	Business Check	Total	Incident & Offense Reports	Arrest Reports	Crash Reports	Total	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Burglary/B&E	Robbery
1/1/2023	4/6/2023	4585	624	5,209	217	83	57	357	44	14	15	1
1/1/2022	4/6/2022	3349	0	3,349	221	94	36	351	51	6	16	0
4/7/2022	4/6/2023	14528	1178	15,706	979	380	209	1,568	236	73	58	11
4/7/2021	4/6/2022	12678	5	12,683	1,040	445	211	1,696	301	27	78	6