



Council Update –Chief of Police

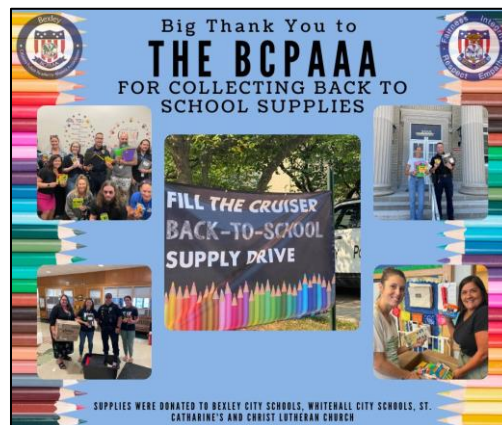
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Flock Camera Update – All cameras have been installed and are awaiting electrical hookup. Employees are scheduled for training this month.

Cookout – Officers and senior residents enjoyed lunch together at the senior center last month.



Back to School Supply Drive – Officers and the Bexley Police Citizens Police Academy Alumni held a “Fill the Cruiser” event for local students.



St. Charles SRO – Officer Grimes has been meeting with companies regarding video surveillance systems for the west campus as well as working with a security company that specializes in key/lock management.

Officer Grimes is hoping to obtain a grant that will cover the cost of implementing a re-keying of St. Charles. The concern is that there has never been a key management system for the school/staff.

He has been formulating safety plans for events, to include staff response in the event of an emergency.

K9 Team Officer Shawver and Pia assisted with sweeps at Temple Israel, Pelotonia course, National Night Out, St. Charles, and the YMCA in Whitehall. The team completed 21 dispatched runs and 40 training drills.

Community Liaison – Officer Adams coordinated 108 Special Duty details, as well as the following community events: Jazz in the Park, National Night Out, and the Splish Splash and Dash.

He is also organizing the 2024 Citizens Police Academy along with managing the Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association.

Emergency Management – Lt. Overly has been overseeing community event coverage and traffic patterns/road closures.

She continues to work with Everbridge in building out the city's Everbridge organization.

Lt. Overly attended Franklin County EMA meetings and toured the new Franklin County Crisis's Care Center.

Communications Center – Dispatcher completed yearly Crisis Communication and Negotiations training last month.

Detective Bureau – Collectively, detectives submitted nine pieces of evidence to the lab for analysis, submitted 14 cases to the Grand Jury Prosecutor's Office for indictment, presented ten cases to the Grand Jury and issued three subpoenas to different agencies for information. Detectives interviewed a burglary suspect at the Franklin County Jail and obtained a search warrant for his DNA to compare with evidence collected at the crime scene. Detectives issued a warrant for a breaking and entering suspect and reviewed the data obtained from a search warrant issued to analyze a suspect's cell phone. Detectives also attended training on how to operate a new BAC machine and assisted with scenario training for two new officers going through the field.

Animal Control – August brought many calls for service for loose dogs. Several of the dogs were not found. Three made it home, a couple went to the Franklin County Dog Shelter, and one was a neighbor dog that could reach into the complainant's yard. There were several barking complaints, a few leash law warnings, and a couple dogs that were found by ACO Jennings. She scanned for a microchip and found the owner. One call involved a dog left on Livingston Avenue by its owner. The dog was taken to the shelter; he was in good shape despite being dumped.

For several weeks, ACO Jennings dealt with a house that had a flea infestation and was filthy with cat waste. The owner had admitted to spraying for fleas, resulting in the death of many cats. The owner stated that there were still 4-5 cats remaining. ACO Jennings posted a notice of abandonment at the house and slid food and water through an open door until she obtained a warrant to remove the cats. It took a while to get all of the cats trapped, 5 in total. Three went to Columbus Humane and the other two went to OSU Vet Hospital, due to their poor condition, and were humanely euthanized.

ACO Jennings worked with OSU Vet Hospital concerning a Bexley resident that wanted to relinquish their dog. OSU was very concerned about the condition of the dog. After reading the OSU report and speaking with the resident and a neighbor, it was determined that the resident found the elderly dog in January and had unintentionally neglected some of the dog's needs. This was due to lack of education on caring for a dog. The dog was treated for an abscessed tooth and after receiving good treatment advice from OSU, the resident was able to keep the dog.

ACO Jennings handled two cats, with one going home thanks to having a microchip, the other was taken in by a resident. In addition, she handled deceased and injured wildlife. A couple of residents were trapping wildlife on their own and were told to contact a pest control company. She released an opossum for one resident.

ACO Jennings visited Schneider Park with The Wildlife Control Company, Inc. to look at some damaged trees. The wildlife company advised that the damage was done by beaver that were passing through and the information was passed on to Mike Price.

One resident had a squirrel stuck in their downspout on their garage. With the help of the service department, they got the squirrel safely released. Lastly, there was a call regarding a red-tailed hawk that was thought to be injured, but he was just enjoying a meal in someone's front yard.

Statistics

Start Date	End Date	Number of Days	Calls for Service	Business Check	Total	Incident & Offense Reports	Arrest Reports	Crash Reports	Total	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Burglary/B&E	Robbery
1/1/2024	9/4/2024	248	14262	4281	18,543	544	230	133	907	152	27	33	4
1/1/2023	9/4/2023	247	12825	2282	15,107	649	239	139	1,027	168	32	42	6
9/5/2023	9/4/2024	366	20058	5417	25,475	885	350	181	1,416	245	50	62	7
9/5/2022	9/4/2023	365	17860	2838	20,698	1,017	370	213	1,600	265	59	65	12