

Chief's Report Ruston Police Department Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Chief of Police:

During the previous 28 days the Police Department logged 100 calls for service. Calls will include traffic stops, 911 calls or other calls for service. The number is down from the previous month, likely due to the recent winter weather.

On behalf of the officers, I thank you for the two additional FTE's and the salary increase which puts them at or slightly above pay parody with their peers in the county. The challenge now is to fill the two vacancies with a possible third looming in the near future. We have updated our job announcements at various job listing vendors, and I've put all the officers in full recruiting mode. We have one possible lateral applicant and one who has contacted us for entry level hire.

Last week, Point Defiance Park signaled their intention to construct gates at the bottom entry to the boat launch and Break Water Marina. This is in response to the various racer gatherings in that lot, which primarily disturbs our city's north-most residents. The completion date is not projected, but it is a clear and decisive response to the problem and I am thankful for the solid relationship we have with the Park director.

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