



**Chief's Report
Ruston Police Department
Tuesday, May 17, 2022**

Chief of Police:

During the previous 28 days the Police Department logged 156 calls for service. Calls include traffic stops, 911 calls or security/vacation checks and other miscellaneous calls service. This is slightly more than the same period in 2021.

The Department has been consistently sending one or two officers to work the anti-racer strike force team per week. Assigned Ruston officers work with counterparts from Tacoma, Pierce County, and Lakewood, and can call upon the strike force to respond to Ruston when race gatherings occur in our city. Additionally, our officers often respond to back up the assigned night shift officer whenever assistance is needed such as during a recent collision involving an underage DUI driver who was also carrying a pistol.

There are still two vacancies at the Department, one of which will likely be filled in early June. However, that officer will enter a training phase that will likely last through the summer months, culminating with an assignment to the Basic Law Enforcement Academy in the fall. We continue to fill secondary officer shifts with our two part-time officers on the weekends.

The Police Commission will need to fill a vacancy as Richard Shook has opted to allow his appointment to expire. The Commission oversees many police civil service matters such as ranking applicants and certifying promotional processes. The method for filling the position will be determined at the next meeting on May 23rd.

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