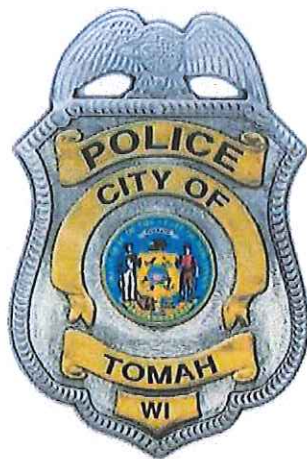


TOMAH POLICE DEPARTMENT



"Serving the Community"

March 2018 Report

CHIEF'S ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of tasks/assignments/responsibilities carried out by Chief Nicholson in the month of March 2018:

I attended bi-weekly meetings with other City of Tomah Department Supervisors.

I attended the monthly City Council and Committee of the Whole meeting.

As a board member of the Tomah Area Boys and Girls Club I attended board meetings and subcommittee meetings related to this organization. I am currently the President of the Tomah Area Boys and Girls Club. As the President of the Tomah Boys and Girls Club I am also a Corporate Board member on the Boys & Girls Club of West Central Wisconsin.

Chief Kuderer, Sheriff Perkins, and I met with Representative Nancy Vandermeer to discuss items related to Law Enforcement which may be on the agenda for the Senate or Assembly to address.

I attended the Coulee Region Law Enforcement Executive Group (CRLEEG) meeting. This is a quarterly meeting which is attended by Chiefs, Sheriffs, and Command Staff members of the State Patrol from around the Coulee Region.

I attended the Monroe County Safe Community Coalition meeting.

Members from the Fire Department, Department of Public Works, and Police Department attended a drone presentation.

Lt. Waddell, Fire Chief Adler, and I participated in a table top exercise hosted by the Monroe County Emergency Management Department. This table top exercise involved a plane crash in the county which resulted in the release of ammonia.

I attended a meeting with the Monroe County Human Services to discuss the Chapter 51/55 process.

Lt. Waddell and I met with representatives from Baycom to discuss ongoing radio transmission issues. There was a comprehensive discussion about what may be causing some or all of the interference and what steps Baycom wanted to take to test theories.

Lt. Holum, Lt. Waddell, and I met several times throughout the month to continue the process of updating our policy manual utilizing the Lexipol program.

I attended a department training which focused on Defense and Arrest Tactics.

I attended CPR/AED recertification training. The training was conducted with members of the Tomah Area Ambulance Service.

I attended a meeting with the Monroe County Dementia Coalition.

I reviewed and provided a recommendation for all alcohol related licenses issued by the City of Tomah.

I attended the Our Town Tomah meeting. Preparations are being made for the annual spring downtown clean-up day.

I reviewed and provided a recommendation for all taxi cab license applications.

I reviewed and provided a recommendation for all Direct Sellers and Transient Sellers applications.

I attended/facilitated Administrative Staff meetings and Command Staff meetings with members of the Tomah Police Department.

I assisted in the facilitation of the departments Facebook page.

OPERATIONS LIEUTENANT ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of tasks/assignments/responsibilities carried out by Lieutenant Ron Waddell in the month of March 2018:

All scheduling responsibilities (time off, overtime, special events, etc.).

Facilitated Time Agency Co- Coordinator (TAC), scheduling on-line recertification and conducting expiration audits. Task is shared with Lt. Scott Holum.

Most of my shifts in the calendar year 2018 have required a dual role working as shift supervisor and completing administrative responsibilities.

Provide assistance as needed with incoming temporary evidence as needed. The evidence responsibilities may require return of evidence and limited destruction of evidence as time permitted. Evidence is provided to officers for follow-up and/or turn over to other police agencies.

Participated in administrative level meeting to discuss department matters (personnel, budget, short/long term planning, policy applications, etc.).

Review of all "Use of Force Reports" for accountability and procedural adherence. The incidents are charted for statistical tracking.

Received, processed, and scheduled "Ride Along Request" that were approved for civilians.

Currently participating in planning committee for a mock trauma event involving a vehicle vs. electrical pole crash. Participants in the exercise include our department,

Tomah Fire, Tomah Ambulance, and Tomah Memorial Hospital (Emergency Department).

The Chief and I met with representatives from Baycom to discuss ongoing radio transmission issues. There was a comprehensive discussion about what may be causing some or all of the interference and what steps Baycom wanted to take to test theories. The responsibility placed on department staff will be to document every occurrence and forward the data to my office for relay to a central technician representative of Baycom.

One of the squads suffered minor external damage from a single car accident. Arrangements were made through city hall to move forward with auto-body repairs. Squad #44 has been repaired and is back in the rotation for daily patrol use.

In light of the recent school violence Tomah School District Business Manager Greg Gaarder and I have reconvened a dialog regarding the current school safety plan. It is our intent to do a ground up review and propose suggestions for additions or deletions as needed, but more appropriately offer options to the school district for specialized training within each school that focuses on responses to violent intruders.

SUPPORT SERVICES LIEUTENANT ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of tasks/assignments/responsibilities carried out by Lieutenant Scott Holum in March 2018:

I conducted Shift Supervisor responsibilities on some of my shifts.

I monitored the Prescription Drug Box and sorted/packaged various prescription medications. Medications there were collected from previous months were dropped off at a collection site for destruction.

Sergeant Preuss and I processed all incoming evidence and facilitated requests for evidence release/copies from the District Attorney's Office and City Attorney's Office.

I attended an Administrative Staff meeting.

I attended a Command Staff meeting.

I attended two policy review meeting related to Lexipol.

I initiated a new Patrol Officer hiring process.

I met with the FBI in Milwaukee related to a security clearance for inclusion to the Joint Terrorism Task Force.

I continued to research cases and purge property in the evidence storage area.

I conducted an internal investigation (PC 18-01) and provided Chief Nicholson with my findings.

I made arrangements to conduct a background investigation on a patrol officer candidate from North Dakota.

I attended a meeting between City Administrator Gorius, Chief Nicholson, Director Arity, Chief Adler and other staff related to a drone presentation.

I provided oversight to Sergeant Jones concerning the Fleet Maintenance program with scheduled and unscheduled repairs.

I assisted Lt. Waddell in scheduling related matters.

I performed the duties as the department's Time Agency Coordinator (TAC).

I continued working with Lexipol as the Project Manager in preparation of a complete policy and procedures overhaul into a new electronic format.

COMBINED TACTICAL UNIT

COMBINED TACTICAL UNIT CALL OUT (Full Team):

March 28 – CTU served a search warrant for Monroe County Joint Investigative Task Force in rural Warrens the City of Tomah as the result of an on-going drug investigation related to the sale of illegal possessed prescription drugs for sale and receiving stolen property, including stolen firearms. The location to be searched consisted of a 10-acre property with several trailer houses, campers, outbuildings and abandoned cars. CTU served the search warrant and contacted three adults outside, one adult at one trailer home and two adults with two children in a second trailer home. The remaining area was then cleared by tactical team members and no additional people were located. CTU briefed the investigators on the search and turned the scene over to the investigations.

COMBINED TACTICAL UNIT CALL OUT (Partial Team):

March 7 – Sparta Police personnel assigned to Combined Tactical Unit served a search warrant for a Disorderly Conduct-While Armed and possible Felon in Possession of Firearm investigation. Based on an evaluation of the investigation CTU leadership determined that a full call out was not necessary and Sparta Police tactical officers completed the mission. Ultimately several people were arrested for the original incident and drug violations. A realistic looking pellet pistol was seized during the search.

TRAINING REVIEW:

March 20 – Training was conducted at the Sparta – Fort McCoy Airport / Fort McCoy Fire Department Training Site. Fort McCoy Fire provided six fire fighters who provide instruction and practical exercises on placement and climbing of hand ladders as well as entering and exiting buildings from windows and roofs. Additionally, Fort McCoy Fire brought their Tower truck to the location and provided instruction on setting up and using the truck. After the training with Fort McCoy Fire we held a team meeting and personnel who attended the Association of SWAT Personnel-Wisconsin conference debriefed the presentations.

K-9 REPORT

The Tomah Police K-9 Unit consists of Officer Adam Perkins and his partner K-9 Viktor. Officer Perkins has been employed with the Tomah Police Department since September 2011 and was selected to be the K-9 handler in late 2016.

In March 2017, Officer Perkins traveled to the Jessiffany Canine Services LLC Kennel in Iron Ridge, Wisconsin to select a K-9 partner. Officer Perkins met with the head trainer and looked at numerous dogs, ultimately selecting K-9 Viktor. K-9 Viktor is a Czech Shepherd from the Czech Republic. Officer Perkins and K-9 Viktor trained for 5 weeks at Jessiffany Canine Services and certified through Jessiffany and the American Police Canine Association (APCA) in early April.

Officer Perkins and K-9 Viktor primarily work 3rd shift but are available off duty in an on-call capacity. Officer Perkins and Viktor are also members of the Monroe County Combined Tactical Unit (CTU). K-9 Viktor is a “dual purpose” patrol dog meaning patrol work and narcotics detection. “Patrol work” encompasses handler protection, criminal apprehension, tracking, building searches, and area searches. For narcotics detection, Viktor is trained to alert on the odors of Marijuana, Methamphetamine, Cocaine/Crack Cocaine, Heroin and MDMA.

Officer Perkins and K-9 Viktor train on a frequent basis to stay proficient in the numerous tasks Viktor is trained in.

Utilizations of Importance

Vehicle Sniff: Vehicle was stopped and a K-9 sniff was conducted. A positive alert was obtained and search of the vehicle yielded marijuana paraphernalia. The driver was cited municipally and was released.

Vehicle Sniff: Vehicle was stopped by a Monroe County Deputy in Oakdale on Hwy 12/16. The Deputy requested a K-9 sniff. Mutual aid was granted and a K-9 sniff was conducted. A positive alert was obtained and the search yielded marijuana and paraphernalia inside the vehicle. Driver was cited municipally.

Vehicle Sniff: Vehicle was stopped by a Wisconsin State Patrol Trooper near Warrens on Interstate 94. The Trooper requested a K-9 sniff. Mutual aid was granted and a K-9 sniff

was conducted. A positive alert was obtained and the search yielded marijuana and paraphernalia in the vehicle. A passenger was arrested and taken to Jail for Possession of Paraphernalia.

Training: 8 hours of K-9 training with other area K-9 teams at West Salem.

Career Day: Assisted with Career Day presentation at UW-Platteville Campus. Tomah Police Department and nearly 100 other Law Enforcement Agencies were included. K-9 Viktor was one of two Police K-9's that were allowed inside the venue.

Vehicle Sniff: Vehicle was stopped and a K-9 sniff was conducted. A positive alert was obtained and a search of the vehicle did not yield any contraband. The driver and passengers were known drug users. Driver had recent information of transporting drugs.

Driver Admission: Vehicle was stopped and driver was talked to about using K-9 Viktor to sniff for illegal drugs. Upon hearing that information, the driver admitted to having Marijuana and Paraphernalia inside the vehicle. Search of the vehicle yielded the same. The driver was cited municipally for Possession of Marijuana and Possession of Paraphernalia.

Burglary Assist: Burglary occurred at the VFW in Sparta. Sparta Police Department requested K-9 assistance to clear the building and attempt a track. Mutual aid was granted. Building search was conducted and building was cleared. Track was began near broken window and went behind houses near lake. Track was lost and track was ended. Video showed the suspect had ran in the same direction the track was going.

Vehicle Sniff: A vehicle was stopped by Sparta Police Department at the Kwik Trip on Hwy 16. Sparta Police Department requested a K-9 sniff. Mutual aid was granted and a K-9 sniff was conducted. Positive alert obtained. Driver admitted possible drug paraphernalia would be inside the vehicle. Search of vehicle yielded prescription drugs not in driver's name. No other contraband was located. Driver was arrested on Warrant and Misdemeanor charge of Possession of Prescription.

Vehicle Sniff: A vehicle was stopped and driver and passenger were arrested on Obstructing, Misdemeanor and Felony Bail Jumping, numerous Warrants and Probation Holds. K-9 sniff was conducted and a positive alert was obtained. Search of vehicle yielded some items commonly used as paraphernalia but they were not yet used for drug use. Both driver and passenger taken to Jail.

Training: Numerous hours of training time conducted while on duty and working shift. Training included narcotics and tracking.

Training: Trained with CTU personnel during ladder deployments. Worked on having K-9 walk up ladder and carrying K-9 up ladder in numerous ways.

Certifications: Certified through Jessiffany Kennels and APCA in both Narcotics and Patrol Work.

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No report.

CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

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INVESTIGATIONS

[18-0430] Possession of MDMA ("Molly"/Ecstasy), Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Tobacco products

An officer conducted a traffic stop for an equipment violation and during the contact observed tobacco products inside the vehicle. Both occupants were 17-years-old. The passenger admitted to possessing contraband in one of their bags. The officer located marijuana and a bong. The subject was arrested and during the arrest admitted to possessing "Molly" in her bra. The subject was transported to the Monroe County Jail, booked and released.

[18-0405] Bail Jumping-Felony, Possession of Cocaine, Possession of Marijuana, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Probation Hold

Tomah officers were on foot patrol in the downtown bar district. They entered a bar and observed a subject whom they recognized from prior police contacts and knew was prohibited from being in a bar, tavern or liquor store. They had contact and the subject admitted to consuming alcohol. The subject was arrested for Bail Jumping-Felony. A search of this person, incident to a lawful arrest, resulted in locating cocaine and marijuana. The subject is also on probation and was transported to the Monroe County Jail for numerous felony charges along with a Probation hold. During the transport to jail, the subject repeatedly kicked the partition resulting in the officers having to hobble his legs.

[18-0318] Knowingly Fleeing an Officer, Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Obstructing an Officer, Operating After Revocation, Speeding

Tomah officers were dispatched to Kwik Trip South after the manager called about two persons who were acting confused. The subjects were initially inside a vehicle but one of them exited and the vehicle left. The female passenger walked away after the vehicle left and after she tried gaining access to another vehicle. The female was contacted on STH 16 where she acted very strange and exhibited behavior similar to persons who abuse methamphetamine. She commented that she was "hiding" and was covered in "rust." The female refused to identify herself and then gave a false name resulting in her arrest. She was taken to jail. The vehicle was located a while later in the area of Walmart. An officer attempted to stop the vehicle but the vehicle failed to stop. The officer activated

his emergency lights near Humbird Cheese and the vehicle continued until it pulled into the Whitetail Crossing parking lot. Prior to pulling into the parking lot, the operator was throwing items out of the vehicle. It's unknown what these items were. A high-risk traffic stop was conducted and the operator surrendered to police authority. Inside the vehicle numerous items of drug paraphernalia were located that are commonly used to aid in the use of methamphetamine. Methamphetamine was also located. The subject was transported to the Monroe County Jail, booked in and released to the jail staff.

[18-0297] Disorderly Conduct-Alcohol Related (Physical)

Tomah officers were on foot patrol in the downtown bar district when they were approached by a distraught female. The female indicated a male subject had just punched her in the face while she was standing in front of Dimension's Bar. Officers immediately responded and located a person matching the description. Numerous patrons were also pointing to the person in question. The subject was detained and determined to be a 50-year-old male who had no connection to the victim. The subject was cited municipally, released and he walked away from the downtown area. His Preliminary Breath Test was .267 BAC at the time of Police contact.

TRAINING

CPR/AED Certification: Sworn Staff

Defense and Arrest Tactics (DAAT): Sworn Staff

Association of SWAT Personnel (ASP) Conference: Sergeant Weaver

PoliceOne Online Video training: Officer Brittnay Westpfahl

PERSONNEL COMPLAINTS

March Personnel Complaints = 1 Year-To-Date Personnel Complaints = 1

EMPLOYEE LISTING BY DATE OF HIRE

March 31, 2018

Chief Mark Nicholson	12/14/1989
Lt. Ron Waddell	1/10/1992
Admin. Asst. Rhonda Culpitt	12/12/1994
Sgt. Pete Huneck	2/12/1995
Sgt. Mike Preuss	2/25/1996
Sgt. Chris Weaver	12/28/1997
Investigator Rob Walensky	3/21/1999
Lt. Scott Holum	5/2/1999
Officer Melanie Marshall	5/28/2000
Investigator Paul Sloan	5/13/2001
Officer Brittnay Westpfahl	1/16/2005
Sgt. Eric Pedersen	7/9/2005
Officer Steven Keller	8/14/2005
Sgt. Jacob Jones	3/12/2006
Officer Jarrod Furlano	1/13/2008
Officer Adam Perkins	9/4/2011
Police Clerk Janelle Faulkner	4/16/2013
Officer Rylan Corcoran	10/11/2015
Officer Brandon Kuhn	10/12/2015
Officer Brennon Scallon	10/30/2016
Police Clerk Holli Corcoran	09/11/2017
Police Officer Recruit David Heckman, Jr.	01/05/2018



MARCH 2018 MONTHLY REPORT



Reports	Current Month	Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Change	Percentage Change
Total Reports	156	442	523	-81	-13.77%
Alarm	6	21	38	-17	-44.74%
Burglaries	0	2	5	-3	-60.00%
Criminal Damage	9	41	31	10	32.26%
Death Investigations	2	6	10	-4	-40.00%
Disorderly Conduct	14	58	70	-12	-17.14%
Theft/shoplifting	19	59	77	-18	-23.38%
School Reports	19	40	54	-14	-25.93%

Traffic Crashes	Current Month	Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Change	Percentage Change
Total Traffic Crashes	22	77	67	10	14.93%
Property Damage	11	48	39	9	23.08%
Persons Killed					
Persons Injured	5	10	15	-5	-33.33%
Pedestrians Injured	0	0	0	0	0%

Citations/arrests	Current Month	Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Change	Percentage Change
Total Criminal Referrals	100	324	380	-56	-14.74%
Total Municipal Citations	148	439	480	-41	-8.54%
MCHS Juvenile Referral	0	10	11	-1	-9.09%
Burglary	0	0	2	-2	-100.00%
Disorderly Conduct	13	54	68	-14	-20.59%
Drug Related Charges	31	107	83	24	28.92%
Parking Citations	23	159	335	-176	-52.54%
Underage Alcohol violations	19	42	26	16	61.54%
Warrants	23	43	52	-9	-17.31%
Traffic Citations Total	105	362	421	-59	-14.01%
Traffic OAR/OAS	28	94	96	-2	-2.08%
Traffic OWI	11	29	29	0	0.00%
Traffic Seatbelt	3	11	21	-10	-47.62%
Traffic Speed Citations	11	23	48	-25	-52.08%
Traffic Warnings	109	326	543	-217	-39.96%
Traffic Warnings 5 Day	5	17	35	-18	-51.43%

2018 OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED STATISTICS

CASE #	AGE	SEX	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	7TH	8TH	9TH	10TH	BAC	REFUSAL	ACCIDENT	REST SUBSTANCE TYPE
18-0030	53	M	X										0.090			Pending blood results
18-0031	37	M											0.232			Pending blood results
18-0060	28	M		X									0.186			Pending blood results
18-0094	34	M		X									0.208	X	X	Pending blood results
18-0122	30	F	X										0.130			Pending blood results
18-0129	28	F	X											X		Pending blood results
18-0130	20	M	X													Pending blood results
18-0152	17	M	X										0.000			Pending blood results
18-0164	32	M			X								0.028		X	Pending blood results
18-0170	36	M			X											Pending blood results
18-0181	25	M	X											X		Pending blood results
18-0188	18	F	X											X		Pending blood results
18-0189	37	F	X											X		Pending blood results
18-0234	32	M	X													Pending blood results
18-0235	34	F			X								0.102			Pending blood results
18-0241	65	M	X										0.110			Pending blood results
18-0250	25	F	X										0.130			Pending blood results
18-0270	39	M	X											X		Pending blood results
18-0341	22	M	X											X		Pending blood results
18-0353	19	M	X										0.000			Pending blood results
18-0360	43	M	X											X		Pending blood results
18-0375	21	M	X													Pending blood results
18-0378	22	M	X										0.160			Pending blood results
18-0379	F		X											X		Pending blood results
18-0394	M		X											X		Pending blood results
18-0400	F		X											X		Pending blood results
18-0403	M		X											X		Pending blood results
18-0428	F		X											X		Pending blood results
18-0433	M					X										Pending blood results
TOTALS			22	2	3	2							0.138 (1.376/10)			AVERAGE BAC