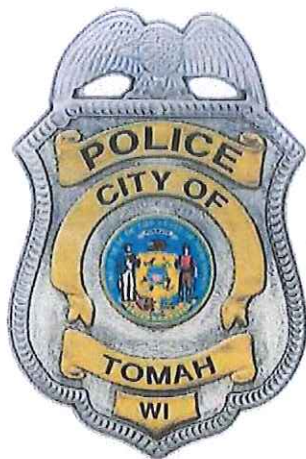


TOMAH POLICE DEPARTMENT



"Serving the Community"

February 2017 Report

CHIEF'S ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of tasks/assignments/responsibilities carried out in the month of February 2017:

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

I attended the monthly 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. At the present time I am the Vice President of the Tomah Area Boys and Girls Club.

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

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 Administrative Staff meetings with members of the Tomah Police Department.

Administrative Assistant Culpitt and I, along with other City Departments, met with CR Solutions to discuss short and long term plans and goals related to information technology projects and issues.

I attended a meeting with Chiefs and Sheriffs from within Monroe County to discuss current trends, technologies, and issues which may be of importance to all agencies. Those in attendance includes representatives from the Monroe County Sheriff's Department, Sparta Police Department, Wisconsin State Patrol, and the Monroe County District Attorney's office.

Lt. Holum, Officer Perkins, and I toured several K9 facilities located in Wisconsin. A decision was made to purchase our new K9 from Jessiffany K9 Services located in Iron Ridge, Wisconsin. Training starts March 6 and should conclude April 7.

Lt. Holum and I attended the Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Mid-Winter Conference.

I attended the Our Town Tomah meeting.

Sheriff Perkins, Chief Kuderer and I had a quarterly meeting to discuss the Monroe County Joint Investigative Task Force.

Fire Chief Adler, City Inspector Rolff and I completed an onsite inspection related to the Alcohol License application for The Bank bar.

The Tomah Police Department was nominated for the Chamber of Commerce Member of the Year award. On behalf of the Police Department I attended the annual banquet. Although we did not get the award we were honored to receive a nomination for it.

I attended the Monroe County Coordinated Services Team meeting.

OPERATIONS LIEUTENANT ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of tasks/assignments/responsibilities carried out in the month of February 2017 by Lieutenant Ron Waddell:

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

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

Many of my shifts require 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 staff meeting.

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.

SUPPORT SERVICES LIEUTENANT ACTIVITIES

The following is a list of tasks/assignments/responsibilities carried out by Lieutenant Scott Holum in February 2017:

I conducted Shift Supervisor responsibilities on some of my shifts.

I monitored the Prescription Drug Box and sorted/packaged various prescription medications.

I set up K9 facility tours for three vendors in Wisconsin. Chief Nicholson, Officer Perkins, and I visited the facilities and chose Jessiffany out of Iron Ridge, Wisconsin to provide us with our new K9 partner and training.

Related to the new K9 program, I set up repairs for the K9 squad car, made lodging arrangements, ordered equipment, and set up payment for all facets of the program.

I attended a Tomah Police Department Administrative meeting.

I reviewed applications for the Code Enforcement / Evidence Custodian position, scheduled interviews, and developed interview questions.

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

I commanded the Field Training program that is supervised by Sergeant Pedersen. Officer Brennan Scallon is now in Step V (Solo patrol) of the Field Training program.

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).

COMBINED TACTICAL UNIT

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February 14 – Tomah Police Department requested a partial CTU call out for a search warrant at an apartment in the downtown area related to a shooting investigation that occurred the weekend earlier. CTU personnel from Tomah Police Department, Sparta Police Department and Monroe County Sheriff's Department assisted with the search warrant and developed a plan to contact the suspect and detain him outside of the apartment. However, the suspect did not answer a telephone call. While tactical personnel were beginning to make additional plans the suspect returned home and was recognized by tactical personnel on the front perimeter due to pictures shown at the operation briefing. The suspect lied about his identity but he was detained without incident because the officers were able to visually confirm his identify because of the pictures shown at the briefing.

TOMAH POLICE DEPARTMENT TACTICAL CALL OUT:

None to report.

TRAINING REVIEW:

February 21 – Training was conducted at several locations in Sparta beginning at the Sparta Police Department. First Officer Guralski provided classroom training on sniper

operations. Second, we traveled to a house that was scheduled to be demolished where we were able to conduct live breaching training, K-9 searches and chemical agent deployment. Personnel who had not deployed a Flashbang as part of their new training had the opportunity to deploy Flashbangs. Both Sparta Police Department K-9s had the opportunity to do apprehensions and searches in a chemical agent filled environment and we practiced lifting the K-9s to the attic entry for K-9 searches in the attic. Lastly, we were able to conduct some building clearing exercises in the former Gundersen Clinic location. The clinic presents a challenging location for practicing building clearing due to the number of doors and intersecting hallways.

SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER

FEB 2

Concern in regards to a note that a student presented. Mayo Clinic confirmed the note was okay and student had been seen in La Crosse Clinic.

Spoke with a staff member in regards to student concerns.

Responded to Tomah Middle School in regards to drug items they located in an empty locker. While at Tomah Middle School served a citation for Truancy.

FEB 3

Vacation Day.

FEB 6

Call from a parent concerned about injuries their child sustains while visiting Dad. Does not believe it is intentional but that is it is from unsupervised rough play with older brothers.

Attempted to make contact with a parent in regards to a student's attendance.

FEB 7

Request from Warrens Principal to speak with students about theft. Made arrangements for a County Deputy to visit the school.

Assisted a student with a locker switch because of concerns about another student using the locker.

Assisted with Special Needs student who was not following directions and causing a disruption.

Received concerns from a staff member about a student missing from school for several days.

Received information of suspicious activity that may involve the theft of money from Family Dollar in Sparta. Family Dollar District Manager was supplied with the information to determine if there was a theft.

FEB 8 and 9

Instructed G.R.E.A.T. at Tomah Middle School.

FEB 13-14-15

At training.

FEB 16

Numerous 911 calls from Tomah Middle School. All were misdials of students calling out.

Student asked about a parking ticket that was paid but they received a reminder in the mail. Payment was made the same day as the reminder went out.

Received 3 Truancy referrals.

Spoke with Sparta SRO in regards to a student who moved to Sparta.

FEB 20

No School.

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Quick \$50 tip resulted in the recovery of marijuana and a pipe from a student's locker. Student received a municipal citation for Possession of Marijuana.

Received a possible drug item from a parent who found it while searching child's room. Spoke with a parent in regards to concerns they are having with children at home. I also had follow up contact with the students.

FEB 22

Spoke with a student in regards to registering a vehicle.

Warrant arrest of a student outside of school.

Joint meeting with school administrators and staff from Monroe County Human Services.

FEB 23

Spoke with a student who provided me a picture in regards to harassment outside of school. I had a follow up conversation with a parent of the student who sent the picture.

Spoke with a student reporting their Snap Chat was hacked and inappropriate messages were being sent.

Follow up in regards to a prank phone call the school received the previous week. Prankster was a former student. Unable to reach student's parents.

Investigation with Monroe County Human Services in regards to physical abuse to child.

Spoke with a parent upset that another parent took his or her child out to lunch without permission. Other parent was counseled.

FEB 24

No School.

FEB 27

Attempted follow up with Juneau County Deputy.

A student reported they were accused of sending inappropriate pictures of themselves to another person.

Follow up phone call with a staff member to a parent in regards to their child's truancy and reports of harassment.

Spoke with a staff member about registration issues of a personal vehicle.

FEB 28

Spoke with a student in regards to comments/threats made to them by another student. Also followed up with staff and other students in regards to the complaint.

Report of Truancy from Tomah Middle School. Student to be cited.

Spoke with Lieutenant from the Monroe County Sheriff's Department who was attempting to locate a student.

Spoke with the District Attorney's office in regards to student on bond conditions.

Spoke with Principal Joyce in regards to a conversation he had with a parent about concerns with activities occurring outside of school.

Information received from a substitute teacher in regards to a suspicious vehicle parked in their neighborhood. Attempted to make contact with the registered owner.

CRIME PREVENTION/COMMUNITY RELATIONS

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TRAINING

Officer Westpfahl and Officer Marshall: Child Forensic Interviewing

Officer Franks: M4 Armorer

Chief Nicholson and Lieutenant Holum: Wisconsin Chiefs of Police Conference

Officer Steinborn: Advanced Crisis Negotiations

INVESTIGATIONS

17-0249] Recklessly Endangering Safety, Battery, Disorderly Conduct-Domestic

Tomah officers responded to an address on East Milwaukee St. for a disturbance. Officers arrived and met with a female and a male subject. The female resided at this location and the male was her children's father. The male was present to pick up their kids and the female, who was highly intoxicated, wanted to talk. The male tried to leave and the female threw an unsheathed machete at the male, striking him in the upper back. The male suffered no serious injuries. The female was transported to the Monroe County jail.

[17-0281, 17-0278, 17-0264] Theft, Obstructing an Officer, Threats to Officer, Attempted Battery to Law Enforcement, Possession of Prescription Drug w/o Prescription

Tomah officers were called to Hibbett Sports for a theft complaint. Officers arrived and met with a female suspect who claimed she didn't steal anything. The female had concealed items upon her person while in the store. The female suspect was escorted from the business and an officer observed items from the store under a hat she was wearing. The female struggled with the officer and was stabilized on the ground until backup arrived. The female was taken to jail.

Three days later officers were called to Ace Hardware for a theft complaint. Upon arrival, the same female subject was determined to be involved in this case. The female was transported to jail.

On the same day as the Ace Hardware incident, the Sparta Police Department called and indicated they wanted this female suspect located and arrested on criminal charges from their city. Apparently, this female suspect got out of jail and stole other items from a business in the City of Sparta. The female suspect was located after she couldn't pay for a cab. The female suspect was arrested and transported to the Monroe County Jail, again.

[17-0296] Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Prescription Drug w/o Prescription, Possession of Schedule IV Drug, Obstructing an Officer

A Tomah officer conducted a traffic stop on Arthur Street. A passenger in the vehicle immediately fled on foot. The officer gave chase and caught the suspect near North Superior Avenue. The suspect was arrested and officers located a needle loaded with methamphetamine that was strapped to the suspect's leg. The suspect also had numerous items of contraband on his person such as illegally obtained prescription medication, needles and other associated items used to inject drugs. The suspect was transported to

the Monroe County Jail but prior to arrival was exhibiting behavior that resulted in a medical clearance at Sparta Mayo. Once cleared, the suspect was transported back to jail.

[17-0297] Possession of Methamphetamine, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Obstructing an Officer

Tomah officers had received information from other Police agencies that a male subject was traveling around the State of Wisconsin stealing items from and defrauding Walmart Stores. Additionally, this person was allegedly wearing a police-style duty belt and possibly carrying a weapon. The Eau Claire Police Department had sent an alert advising this person had been in their community and they had criminal charges on the person. Asset Protection at the Tomah Walmart spotted the suspect and called the Police. Wisconsin State Patrol and a Tomah officer stopped the suspect vehicle near Oakdale. A probable cause search was conducted and methamphetamine was located in the glove box. The vehicle was seized by the Tomah Police Department and brought to a secure location for a warrant application. A warrant was approved and the vehicle contained numerous drug items as well as items associated with crimes at different stores. This information was shared with other Police agencies around the State of Wisconsin. The suspect and a passenger were arrested and transported to the Monroe County Jail.

[17-0307] OWI-2nd, Hit and Run, Possession of Marijuana w/ Intent to Distribute, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Open Intoxicant in Motor Vehicle, Operating after Revocation

Tomah officers were summoned to the downtown bar district for a complaint of a hit and run; vehicle versus object. A vehicle description was given by a witness and officers located the vehicle at a nearby gas station. The operator refused all tests and was subsequently arrested for 2nd offense Operating a Motor Vehicle While Intoxicated. A probable cause search of the vehicle was conducted and items consistent with the sale of illegal drugs were located. The operator was processed at Tomah Memorial Hospital and then transported to the Monroe County Jail.

PERSONNEL COMPLAINTS

February Personnel Complaints = 0 Year-To-Date Personnel Complaints = 1

EMPLOYEE LISTING BY DATE OF HIRE

FEBRUARY 28, 2017

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
Police Clerk Diane Renteria	2/23/2009
Custodian Megan Drinkwine	1/6/2011
Officer Adam Perkins	9/4/2011
Officer Wilbert Steinborn	10/25/2012
Police Clerk Janelle Faulkner	4/16/2013
Officer Tyler Franks	6/22/2014
Police Clerk Chara Franks	7/27/2015
Officer Rylan Corcoran	10/11/2015
Officer Brandon Kuhn	10/12/2015
Officer Brennon Scallon	10/30/2016



FEBRUARY 2017 MONTHLY REPORT



Reports	Current Month	Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Change	Percentage Change
Total Reports	155	316	305	11	20.66%
Alarm	11	23	19	4	21.05%
Burglaries	1	2	1	1	100.00%
Criminal Damage	9	22	21	1	4.76%
Death Investigations	4	6	5	1	20.00%
Disorderly Conduct	19	48	34	14	41.18%
Theft/shoplifting	21	41	48	-7	-14.58%
School Reports	15	24	27	-3	-11.11%

Traffic Crashes	Current Month	Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Change	Percentage Change
Total Traffic Crashes	18	42	30	12	40.00%
Property Damage	13	27	18	9	50.00%
Persons Killed	0	0	0	0	0%
Persons Injured	2	9	7	2	28.57%
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	112	240	228	12	5.26%
Total Municipal Citations	155	295	354	-59	-16.67%
MCHS Juvenile Referral	2	5	0	5	0%
Burglary	2	2	0	2	0%
Disorderly Conduct	19	47	31	16	51.61%
Drug Related Charges	39	52	52	0	0.00%
Parking Citations	154	294	446	-152	-34.08%
Underage Alcohol violations	6	11	20	-9	-45.00%
Warrants	18	40	44	-4	-9.09%
Traffic Citations Total	136	263	325	-62	-19.08%
Traffic OAR/OAS	28	60	73	-13	-17.81%
Traffic OWI	7	14	13	1	7.69%
Traffic Seatbelt	5	13	18	-5	-27.78%
Traffic Speed Citations	18	29	22	7	31.82%
Traffic Warnings	192	337	138	199	144.20%
Traffic Warnings 5 Day	9	22	35	-13	-37.14%

2017 OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED STATISTICS

CASE #	AGE	SEX	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	7TH	BAC	REFUSAL	ACCIDENT	REST SUBSTANCE TYPE
17-0005	56	M				X				0.274			
17-0039	54	M	X							0.150			
17-0076	39	M	X							0.000			Blood results pending
17-0104	36	F			X					0.180			
17-0139	32	M	X								X		
17-0140	53	M	X								X		
17-0144	35	F		X						0.180			
17-0179	59	M	X							0.170			
17-0184	45	M				X				0.161			w/Passenger Under 16
17-0242	44	M	X							0.170			
17-0251	24	M	X								X		
17-0261	24	M	X							0.110		X	
17-0273	31	F		X						0.120			
17-0307	24	M		X							X		
TOTALS			8	2	1	2				0.168 (1.515/9)			AVERAGE BAC