



Police Department City of Wisconsin Rapids

444 West Grand Avenue Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin 54495

DANIEL HOSTENS, CHIEF
TEL: (715)-423-4444
FAX: (715)-423-4408

Date: July 8, 2024

To: Mayor Matt Zacher

Wisconsin Rapids Police and Fire Commission

Wisconsin Rapids Common Council

From: Daniel Hostens, Chief of Police

RE: Report on the Police Department activity for May 2024

Departmental Activity/Training:

Police and Fire Commission meeting

Wood County Law Enforcement Executives meeting.

North Central Chiefs of Police Meeting

Command staff meeting.

Completed mandated training and monthly range training.

Monthly Special Response Team (SRT) and Crisis Negotiator (CNT) training

Monthly meeting with Fire Department Administration

Sgt Burger – IMPBA bike patrol training at UW-Whitewater

For the month, 2024 vs. 2023:

Calls for Service	2024	1606	2023	1520
OWI	2024	2	2023	6
Traffic Crash Inv.	2024	39	2023	29
Traffic/Municipal Citations	2024	201	2023	248
Written Warnings	2024	423	2023	483
Restricted Parking Tickets	2024	70	2023	118

Administration Staff

Ordinance	May Days Worked	Calls for Service	Written Warnings	Citations	Complete without Enforcement Action	Parking Citations	OWI	Arrests	Crash Reports	Totals
Andrys	18	84	0	7	78	0	0	0	1	86

Open Records	Request	Completed	Denials	Redactions	Pending Release	Time (in hours)
June	51	51	0	0	0	6.95

Ofc. Andrys is continuing to update the abatement process. Ofc. Andrys met with local landlords to discuss ordinance enforcement. Ofc. Andrys has also been checking on permits following the storms last month, and efforts are being made to ensure compliance.

Notable Incidents

Officers were dispatched to a residence for the report of a male subject who had pointed a firearm at a female subject. Officers arrived on the scene and located the female outside the residence. Officers moved the female to a safe location and set up a perimeter around the residence. Officers approached the residence with a shield and were able to order the suspect out of the residence, where he was taken into custody without incident. Officers recovered a 9mm handgun at the scene. The male suspect was booked into the Wood County Jail for 2nd Degree Reckless Endangering Safety.

Officer Brockman conducted a traffic stop on a male subject operating a motorcycle. Through Officer Brockman’s investigation, he learned that the motorcycle driver had given him a fake name. The suspect had a revoked driver’s license and two outstanding warrants for his arrest. The male subject was taken into custody and searched. Officer Brockman located 3.2 grams of methamphetamine in his pockets. The suspect also was out on bond for one misdemeanor case and four felony cases. The suspect was booked into the Wood County Jail for two warrants, obstructing, possession of methamphetamine, and five counts of bail jumping. He was also cited for operating after revocation and failure to install an IID.

Crew D made five drug arrests and four drug paraphernalia arrests/citations.

Officers took a report of a highly intoxicated female walking westbound on the Jackson Street bridge. Officers Drew and McHugh contacted the female to check her welfare and observed that she was having trouble with walking and balancing and was very intoxicated. They attempted to coordinate a cab ride home for her, but after checking her information through dispatch, they found that she had a servable warrant through the Department of Corrections. While waiting on the warrant confirmation, and after informing the female she had a warrant, the female started to climb over the bridge wall and stated, ‘I’m not scared to die.’ Officers secured her arms and attempted to detain her. She became physically resistive and began to fight with officers. Officers needed to decentralize her to the ground to take her into custody. She was transported to the hospital for medical clearance and was verbally assaultive toward medical staff. After arriving at the jail, she was placed in a holding cell after being physically assaultive toward jail staff.

Officers responded to the 1400 block of 23rd Avenue South for a report of a verbal disturbance, and the report of multiple shots fired. Officers approached the area after responding in an emergency fashion and set a perimeter around the area. Officers observed a verbal disturbance while on scene, and observed a male subject leave the location of the call and head towards a vehicle on the roadway. Due to the nature of the call the subject was detained at gunpoint and other officers began the initial investigation. Officers determined that no firearm was used during the altercation and that the reported shots fired were likely the result of loud clapping from a second story open window. Officers canvassed the area and spoke with multiple neighboring properties confirming the safety of the area. Officers were not able to locate any firearms or spent casings. Through a thorough investigation officers determined the disturbance was stemming from a mental health issue with the male that led to the verbal disturbance. The male was subsequently detained further and was taken in custody under an emergency detention for ideations of self-harm.

Officer Greening observed a vehicle on 8th Street near Pepper Avenue with a non-functioning tail lamp during the hours of darkness. Officer Greening conducted a traffic stop and contacted the vehicle. During the initial contact with the vehicle, Officer Greening detected the odor of marijuana emitting from within the passenger compartment of the vehicle. A vehicle search was conducted where a sizable amount of marijuana was located along with drug paraphernalia. The driver of the vehicle was also revoked due to an OWI driving offense. The driver was taken into custody for the possession charges and released to the Wood County Jail. The suspect was already on felony bond for OWI 5th, possession with intent to deliver THC, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Officers responded to the POSH Inn for a report of a verbal disturbance. Officers contacted a male subject who had sustained injuries and was bleeding from the head. Further investigation found that there was likely an argument over methamphetamine, resulting in a cell phone being thrown and causing injury to another party. Officers located multiple corner tie baggies with what was later determined to be methamphetamine strewn about the hotel hallway. Also located were THC, drug paraphernalia, and a scale. It was determined that one male suspect owned these items and was arrested and taken into custody. This male then actively resisted officers, and the Wrap restraint system was applied to him. During the transport, the male kicked the inside of the squad and damaged the doorframe and window. The male was transported to the hospital for medical clearance and, while at the hospital, actively resisted officers and attempted to bite and spit at officers and medical staff until a spit mask was applied. The male was cleared and transported to the Wood County Jail.

Officers responded to the area of 32nd Street North and Norton Street for a report of a loud music complaint. After arriving on the scene, officers determined that the music was coming from Grand Rapids. There is a conjoined driveway in the city limits to access the Grand Rapids area where the music complaint originated. While investigating the noise complaint, Officer Greening observed a separate disturbance between a female and a male in the City of Wisconsin Rapids at the property with the conjoined driveway. Officer Greening investigated the disturbance and spoke with the involved parties. While speaking with the male half, he observed a plastic baggie with a white powdery substance falling from the male's pocket and watched the male try to cover it with his foot. After confronting the male about it the male said it wasn't his, and he was trying to cover it so the female wouldn't get in trouble. The baggie was collected, and the male was searched, finding a green leafy substance in the male's pockets. The male was detained, and both substances were tested. The green leafy substance tested positive for THC, and the white powdery substance tested positive for Cocaine 3.61 grams. The male was on active Department of Corrections supervision for drug charges and was arrested and transported to the Wood County Jail.

Detective Bailey was called in to investigate a death scene where a male individual was found deceased with a gunshot wound. The complaint was reported as suicide. Detective Bailey processed the scene, examined cellphone data, and spoke with witnesses/acquaintances to confirm the manner of death.

Other Activity

- Detective Richter closed out two drug investigations that began in 2023 regarding the sale of methamphetamine. As a result of these investigations, one male was referred to the District Attorney's Office for charges of Manufacture/Delivery of Methamphetamine/Repeater. A second male subject was referred to the District Attorney's Office for Manufacture/Delivery of Methamphetamine/Repeater. The Central WI Drug Task Force and Stevens Point PD assisted in this investigation.
- We received 8 Child Protective Service reports from Wood County Human Services for investigation/review.
- On June 18, Christopher Bondioli pled no contest to Sexual Assault of a Student by School Staff and Child Enticement. This investigation began in March 2022, and Detective Bailey spent many hours investigating this complaint. Bondioli will be sentenced on August 20, 2024.
- On June 27, Travis Drollinger pled guilty to 2nd Degree Recklessly Endangering Safety and Disorderly Conduct – Domestic Abuse. WRPD Investigators spent much time on this investigation from start to finish. Drollinger will be sentenced on September 3, 2024.
- On June 26, Bradley Rosenthal was federally indicted for possessing/distributing methamphetamine and possessing a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime. Detective Wetterau arranged for the controlled purchase of methamphetamine from Rosenthal numerous times in the City of Wisconsin Rapids, leading to this indictment.

- Sgt. Daven cleared 19 more firearms from the evidence room at WRPD. These firearms were taken to the State Crime Lab on June 26 to be destroyed.
- Sgt. Daven attended the Wisconsin Association of Arson Investigators annual conference June 3 - June 6
- SRO Pelot and SRO Olivares attended the SRO Training Conference June 11 – June 13

K9 Kubo

Narcotics Deployments	Narcotics Found	Patrol Deployments	Demonstrations	Training Hours	Agency Assists
3	3	0	0	.5	1

Officer Paltz was without K9 Kubo for a few weeks as his squad was out of service.

K9 Lex

Narcotics Deployments	Narcotics Found	Patrol Deployments	Demonstrations	Training Hours	Agency Assists
1	1	0	2	3.75	1

Drugs Taken In:

Possession of Marijuana	27.61 grams 1 THC Cart.
Methamphetamine	20.6 grams
Fentanyl	5.56 grams
Cocaine	3.61 grams
Psilocybin Mushrooms	0 grams
Other	

Overtime Hours							
	Crew A	Crew B	Crew C	Crew D	Detectives	Code Enf.	Totals
Call time	4.00	6.00	8.00	4.00	6.00	0.00	28
Chapter 51	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Community	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	0.00	15
Court	4.00	8.00	16.00	16.00	6.25	0.00	50.25
Emergency call	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
FMLA	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Late Call	7.98	0.00	14.26	10.50	0.00	0.00	32.74
Other	15.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	17.25	1.75	37
Sick	18.00	13.50	34.50	28.50	0.00	0.00	94.5
Training	12.00	23.50	5.25	66.00	0.00	1.00	107.75

Cover Training	9.00	0.00	12.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	21
Vacation	13.50	0.00	13.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	27
Worker's Comp	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Search Warrant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
FTO Pay	0.00	0.00	20.25	31.50	0.00	0.00	51.75
K9 Pay	21.00	0.00	0.00	21.00	0.00	0.00	42
Total	104.48	51.00	126.76	177.50	44.50	2.75	506.99