



Town of Bowling Green – Town Manager Town Council Monthly Report/Project Update For June 2017

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Additional and/or Support Materials Attached: Yes

No

Informational Statistics: As of 6/29/17

The Bowling Green Police Department responded to 20 calls for service. A report was taken regarding one of these calls for service. An investigation is pending regarding that matter. Several property checks were also established. BGPD made 16 traffic stops, during which 12 summonses were given and four warnings were given. 10 warnings were given for fire lane or parking issues. BGPD made no arrests in Town this month.

The Caroline County Sheriff's Office responded to 15 calls for service. One informational report was taken regarding this call for service. CCSO made 4 traffic stops, during which 1 summons was given and one warning was given.

The Virginia Sex Offender Registry was checked, and no new sex offenders are registered in Town.

Public Relations:

- I received items from the Federal Trade Commission for distribution at public relations events. I am in the process of completing orders for coloring books, pencils, a display board, and other items.
- A new tent was also purchased for PR events and displays. The old one was my personal one, and had been damaged during an event.
- Our monthly appearance at the Farmers Market continues to be successful. I would estimate that we handed out over 100 items, and fielded many questions. I also responded to an emergency that occurred while I was at the event. The community continues to respond positively to this opportunity.
- Our crime and safety tips online have focused on scams, and have included information on gas pump scams, bank information, IRS scams, contractor scams, grandparent scams, and general phone scams.
- We have begun to advertise for National Night Out, which will be held August 1, 2017 from 5 to 7 pm. We encourage you all to attend!
- We are exploring options for additional PR events, such as bike rodeos, DUI education and deterrence, and speaking to community groups regarding concerns about law-enforcement related matters.
- I attended the Piedmont Regional Crime Prevention Association Meeting in Fredericksburg and gained valuable information on events and concerns in neighboring jurisdictions. I also joined the association. This will ensure that we are kept in the loop regarding concerns in our area.

Equipment:

Our agency honestly has been under-equipped for certain functions for a while now. With the end of the budget year here, purchases have been made to improve the services of BGPD, including replacing our non-functioning computer, obtaining items such as an AED, vehicle emergency supplies, the replacement of our non-functioning RADAR trailer, and investing in LIDAR. We are also looking into obtaining drug test kits, traffic direction items, and other essential items that will improve our abilities to address emergencies and concerns within the Town.

Other: Suggested Improvements to the PD Building

Pursuant to previous conversations, I purchased a cost effective but well rated camera system for behind the police department. Once electricity is run to the pavilion, the cameras can be installed. I will also have a camera for behind the PD building as well. After the recent improvements to the playground, I feel it is important to protect the

investment made, as well as to be aware of activity on the playground at night. The software that accompanies the cameras is versatile and accessible from an app that has many features. I have also obtained a sign to discourage trespassing on the playground premises at night.

Pending Actions:

I have been quite busy working on many potential projects while also fulfilling expectations to patrol, run RADAR, handle administrative matters, and more. I am working on a grant opportunity to bring additional RADAR coverage and patrol potential to Town. I am also working on several other concepts that would be grant funded or supplemented. More research is required for several.

Many more concerns have been brought forward regarding RADAR and speeding in Town. We have continued to operate in targeted areas of concern, and with the addition of the new tools we anticipate obtaining, are optimistic that we will continue to address the problem as best we can. Parking is also an issue, especially with those who continue to park the wrong direction, against curbs that are yellow (or used to be yellow), and on sidewalks. Notice was sent with the July water bill, so fair warning has been given. Tickets will be issued for violations. The curb painting has been brought up, and actions to address this are in the works.

Decisions Needed:

None.

The Town of Bowling Green, Virginia is committed to providing the highest quality service to the community as directed by the Town Council within the constraints of the town's resources and will do so without regard to personal gain or privilege.