

POLICE DEPARTMENT
NEKOOSA



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REPORT

MISSION STATEMENT

“To safeguard life and property by preserving the peace, order and safety of the community while enforcing the law in a fair and impartial manner.”



CODE OF ETHICS

As a law enforcement officer, my fundamental duty is to serve the community; to safeguard lives and property; to protect the innocent against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation and the peaceful against abuse or disorder; and to respect the constitutional rights of all to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all and will behave in a manner that does not bring discredit to me or to my agency. I will maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed both in my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the law and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, political beliefs, aspirations, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. With no compromise for crime and with relentless prosecution of criminals, I will enforce the law courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or abuse and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize the badge of my office as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of police service. I will never engage in acts of corruption or bribery, nor will I condone such acts by other police officers. I will cooperate with all legally authorized agencies and their representatives in the pursuit of justice.

I know that I alone am responsible for my own standard of professional performance and will take every reasonable opportunity to enhance and improve my level of knowledge and competence.

I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession . . . law enforcement.

CORE VALUES

Professionalism

We are constantly striving toward ever-rising standards in our actions, conduct and job performance.

Respect

We recognize the authority we hold and will treat others as we would like to be treated. We will faithfully and without bias, honor our obligations to the community.

Integrity

We are committed to the highest standards of honesty and ethical conduct, which are the cornerstones of our profession. We will uphold the public trust and our commitment to our core values.

Dedication

To the organization, each other, our families, and the citizens we serve, having an unquestionable work ethic.

Excellence

In everything we do, seeking to improve and excel, always.



MAYOR

Alan Marcoux

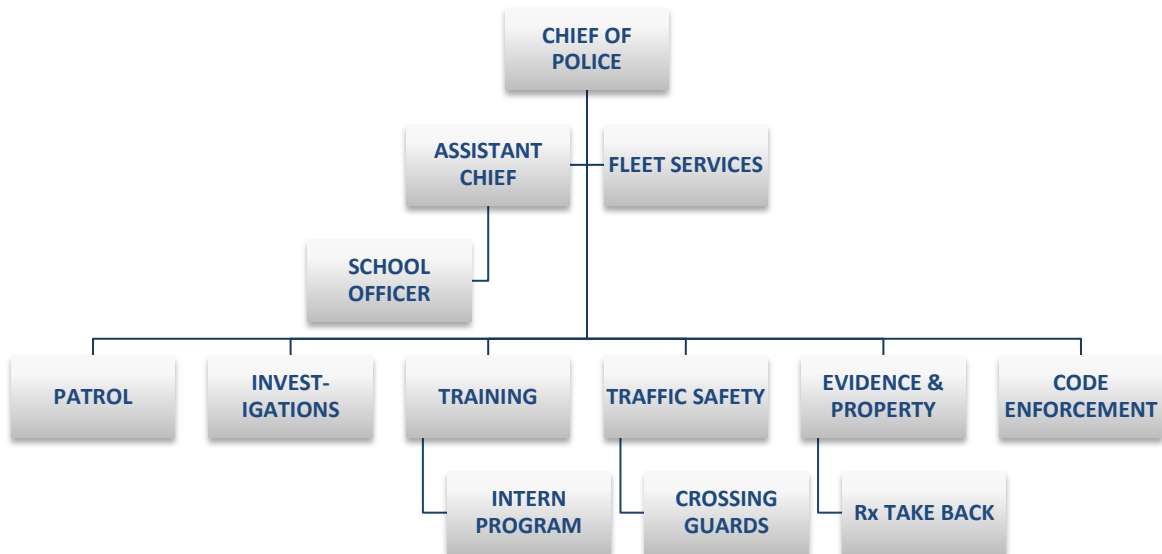
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POLICE COMMITTEE

Ken Hilgers, John Reimer Sr., George Carlson

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



DEPARTMENT ROSTER

Full-Time Staff

Shawn Woods, Chief of Police

Josh Kolo, Assistant Chief/School Resource Officer

Jason Dhein, Patrolman/Traffic Safety Officer

Brian Machon, Patrolman

Chris Meyer, Patrolman/Evidence Technician

Andrew Berg, Patrolman

Part-Time Staff

Lonn Radtke, Rusty Roe, Shawn Bauer,

Justus Arendt, Jake Guse, Eric Daven,

Ben Zawislan, Tim Resheske

PRIDE

IN REMEMBRANCE



In memory of William J. Kautzer

Bill was employed by the Nekoosa Police Department for 26 years. In 2006, Bill was forced to retire from the job he so loved due to his illness. At that time, he was Assistant Police Chief and the Nekoosa Schools Liaison Officer. He was known to all Nekoosa youth as "Officer Bill" and served as a powerful and positive role model and mentor in many of the youths' lives. His amazing personality and genuine perspectives on life were contagious. Bill will fondly be remembered by the youth for his coaching, safety programs, bike rodeos, electric car safety town, little convincer seat belt rides, and donation of countless bikes and helmets to the students throughout the years. But more importantly, he will be remembered for his genuine concern and the personal connections he made with so many youth. His passion for his family and community was clearly evident. Bill passed away in January and he is deeply missed.



CHIEF'S REPORT

I am proud to offer you the 2015 Nekoosa Police Department Annual Report. This past year has been a solid year for the department. The knowledge, experience and dedication by each of the officers is clearly evident and flourish every year.

In early 2015, we mourned the passing of Bill Kautzer. Bill was an esteemed member of the Nekoosa Police Department who brought a special disposition to work. His light heartedness and love of family and community are cherished memories. His legacy will exist in this community for generations.

Nekoosa life-long resident Tim Resheske was hired as a part-time officer. Tim is a graduate of UW-Stevens Point and does an excellent job for us when he fills vacant shifts. Our part-time staff serves as time-off relief coverage. There are no part-time hours built into the regular schedule. The six other officers are experienced and are full-time officers at other area agencies and do an excellent job when representing Nekoosa PD.

Prior to his employment as a part-time officer, Tim Resheske was hired for the newly created Code Enforcement position. This position was created to more efficiently manage quality of life matters such as long grass and noxious weeds, unsightly or dangerous homes and structures, junk and vehicle violations, etc. This position is limited to the summer months. Previously, police officers and public works employees were taking care of these issues and it was somewhat of a disconnected and inefficient process. Now, one person takes a focused and organized approach in managing these important safety and beautification issues alongside the police and public works departments and building inspector. The Code Enforcement officer's annual report will be included later in this report.

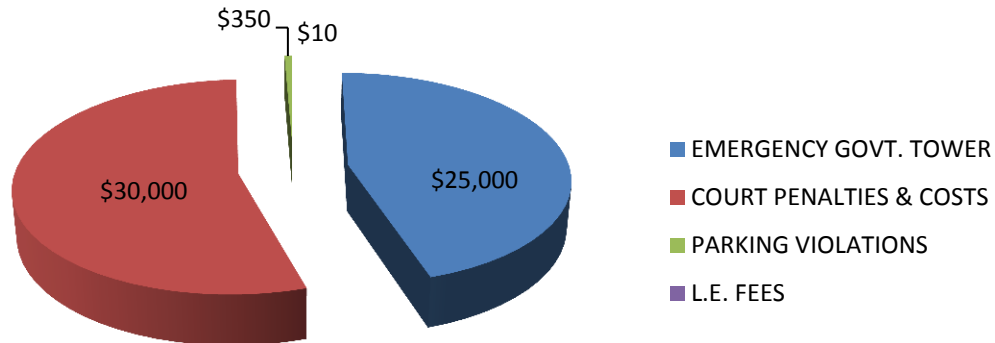
Officer Jason Wilson resigned early in 2015 and took up employment with Rome Police Department. Jason is an intelligent and talented officer and will serve the citizens of the Town of Rome well. Andrew Berg was hired to replace Jason. Andrew was previously employed as a deputy by the Monroe County Sheriff's Department. He is an engaging and personable officer with a clear desire to serve his new home community. Andrew is a great fit for our police department and the City of Nekoosa.

I take great pride in the fact that officers of the Nekoosa Police Department have the capacity to investigate serious crimes and are vigilant on patrol, meanwhile positively engaging with the community. Officers of the Nekoosa Police Department work very hard to combat drugs and crime in the community. We are still experiencing the influx of heroin into south Wood County. Property crimes, overdose deaths and broken families are bi-products of this terrible addiction. We continue to partner with the legal system, medical and treatment programs and corrections to combat this scourge.

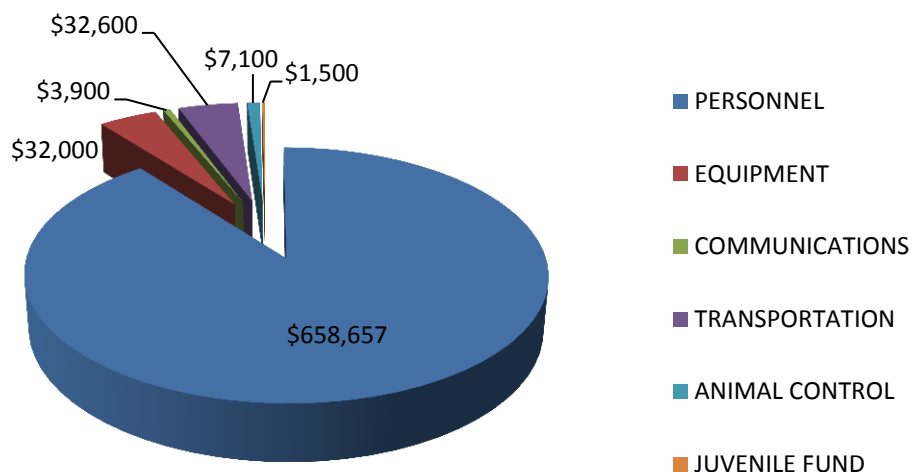
In 2015, all city department heads were directed to submit budgets with a zero percent increase from the previous year. Though it is always a challenge to "hold the line" and still maintain services, we are seeing this everywhere – "do more with less." It is my responsibility to maintain equipment, keep officers properly trained and provided a first rate service with the resources we have.

CHIEF'S REPORT

REVENUE BUDGET



EXPENDITURE BUDGET



Finally, while we have accomplished much, we know we're not done. We will continue to make improvements within our organization and we will never stop trying to do better. We don't take it for granted that the city depends on us! We are in this together and we look forward to working with each of you on the challenges that present themselves in 2016.

Shawn K. Woods, Chief of Police

Training is one of the most important components of law enforcement. The Wisconsin Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board mandate that officers receive a



minimum of 24 hours of training each year to remain a certified law enforcement officer. Staying current with trends, law and tactics greatly lessens the risk of liability and keeps officers and those they come in contact with safer. The Nekoosa Police Department with the support of the city leaders has a longstanding priority on training. This is a

priority we will continue.

In an effort to enhance our training experience, officers of the department have been trained to be instructors in the major mandatory areas of recertification training. Assistant Chief Kolo is the Training Coordinator, Defensive Tactics, Tactical Response, A.L.I.C.E. and Taser Instructor, Officer Machon is Emergency Vehicle Operations Instructor and Chief Woods a Firearms and Academy Scenario Instructor. We believe that having in-house instructors and training will increase the frequency of training and save the city money for tuition and travel expenses.



Tactical skills such as firearms cover ongoing training with handgun, shotgun and patrol rifle. This training is generally done at the Nekoosa PD shooting range. Emergency Vehicle Operations covers driving skill and is often held at the Mid-State Technical College facility. Defensive Tactics teaches officer safety and arrest tactics. This is normally practiced at the police department or one of the schools wrestling rooms. As part of all these tactical skills, use of force law and procedure is always a part of the training.



In addition to the those skills listed above, various officers had training covering topics such as drug trends and search warrants preparation, patrol tactics, active shooter and school safety plans. Assistant Chief Kolo stays current attending school safety conferences and training as School Resource Officer. Chief Woods attended administrative training on disaster response, crisis management and risk management for public safety.

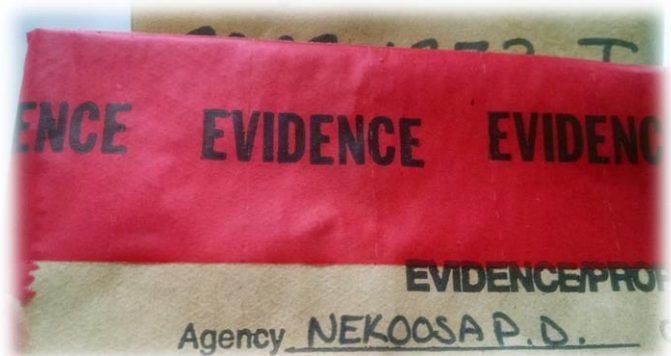
PROPERTY & EVIDENCE



The Property and Evidence section continues to handle the disposition of all evidence and property taken by police personnel in the course of their work. In 2015, Officer Chris Meyer attended Evidence Technician

training by the Wisconsin State Crime Lab. The department has the capability to properly store, catalog and dispose of evidence and property in compliance with current state and modern standards.

In an effort to combat prescription drug use and abuse, the department continues to provide the drug drop-off service for our citizens. This is managed through the property and evidence section.



The Nekoosa Police Department has taken the necessary steps to make sure property and evidence integrity is a top priority.



FLEET SERVICES

The Nekoosa Police Departments small fleet of vehicles is maintained by our mechanic, Terry Fancher. This fleet of vehicles includes two marked Chevy Tahoes and two unmarked Ford Crown Victorias. Terry does a tremendous job staying on top of routine maintenance, assuring that our vehicles will perform effectively and safely.



Terry has also completed the majority of the equipment installs on new vehicles. His knowledge of electronics and ingenuity have served well with safe and functional patrol vehicles.

The police department has not replaced any of the fleet vehicles since 2012. In 2016, we anticipate that we will purchase one marked police Tahoe and sell one unmarked Ford. Terry works alongside Chief Woods in the decision making process for the most cost effective vehicles and their life cycle. Since the implementation of the Chevy Tahoe pursuit rated vehicle, the longevity of the fleet has doubled. Officers are now driving a safer, more functional and cost effective vehicle than ever before.



SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

The nature of the School Crossing Guard duties requires them to work independently, often in poor weather conditions, to ensure the safety of the children and their parents who walk to and from school. They provide a safe crossing at the City's busiest and congested intersections near Humke Elementary School.



Each of the School Crossing Guards follows the Elementary school schedule. They easily become well acquainted with the children, parents, and staff of the school. When "their" School Crossing Guard is not there due to an absence such as an illness, the children and their parents notice and miss them. It is not un-common for

them to receive colored pictures or cards from the children.

The School Crossing Guards that are stationed at their corners of the intersections are not only helping children cross the street by stopping traffic, but also encouraging and teaching children how to be safe when crossing streets. They keep a watchful eye on the children in the vicinity of their intersection to help ensure their safety as they walk to school. This includes observing any suspicious activity or individuals. They can observe traffic and other violations and are capable of contacting our department for patrol officers to take enforcement action.



All of our School Crossing Guards are balancing the need of children to cross the street safely and of motorists who are traveling on the roadways. The Nekoosa Police Department and the School Crossing Guards always encourage motorists to slow down in school zones when the children are present. Patrol Officers will often stage near the School Crossing Guards to encourage motorists to slow down and obey the directions of the School Crossing Guards. If necessary, Patrol Officers will take enforcement action.

School Crossing Guards are Robert Spice, Marilyn Bailey, Nancy Davis and William Davis.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

Officer Jason Dhein is responsible for all traffic related matters. Primarily, Jason will continue to do the paperwork and submittal for traffic safety grants as he has



done for several years. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation and Bureau of Transportation Safety offer grants such as “Click-it-or-Ticket” seatbelt and “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” drunken driving grants. These grants are not always funded but operate at no extra cost to the City. In 2015, the WI DOT began a partnership with

Nekoosa PD and other Wood County agencies and offered funded grants to include, drunken and distracted driving. Additionally, the extra enforcement initiatives have been effective in making our roadways safer.



Officer Dhein is also the department liaison to the Wood County Traffic Safety Committee. He attends their meetings and keeps us informed of area traffic safety issues as well as sharing any issues we may have with the committee.

On a more functional level, Jason works to keep traffic safety items in the squad cars up to date and accounted for such as Preliminary Breath Testers (and their calibration), road spikes and radar units just to name a few.



As part of the position, Officer Dhein attends traffic safety conferences to stay current on issues and keep us informed of contemporary practices, topics and equipment. Traffic safety is a top priority for the Nekoosa Police Department and we often partner with local businesses and the school district to work through traffic safety and parking issues to make our neighborhoods as safe as they can be and help support the goal of zero traffic related deaths in Wisconsin.

POLICE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

In 2014, the Nekoosa Police Department began a partnership with Mid-State Technical College Police Science program. Part of the Police Science degree is an internship program that touches on several areas of law enforcement. These topics are Patrol, Dispatch, Jail, Records, Property/Evidence, Investigations & Courts.

An intern will be selected by an MSTC instructor and undergo an interview and screening process. The intern will then contact the police department and go through another interview by the Police Chief and Assistant Chief to see if they are the right fit.

The intern will spend about 88-96 hours covering the various topics and experiencing time primarily with Nekoosa PD patrol



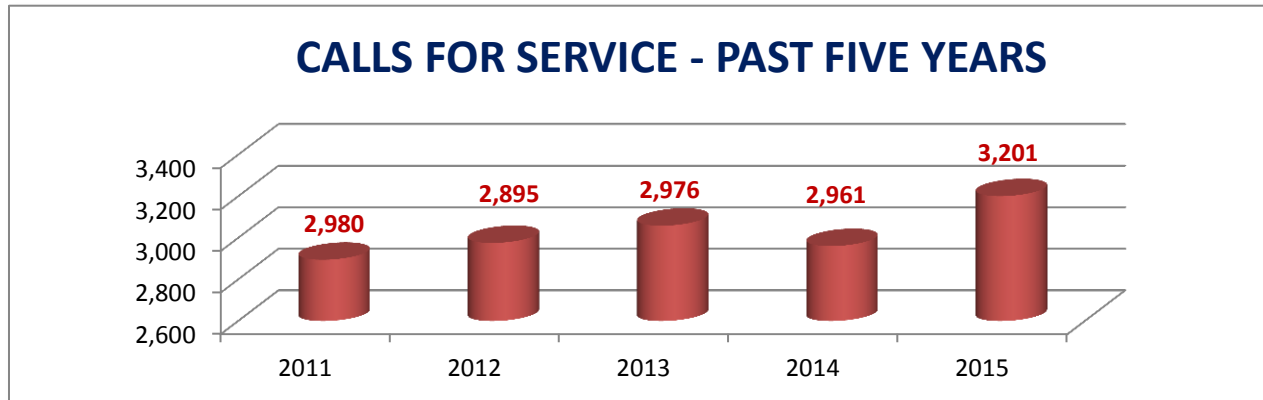
officers. Officers will evaluate the intern on a daily basis considering attitude, appearance, criminal justice knowledge, communication skills, appropriate public interaction and willingness to follow instructions.

They will ride along with officers and interact with citizens at the discretion of the training officer. The intern will be responsible to write reports and keep documentation for their class – just as if they were an officer.

Nekoosa Police Department is proud to partner with MSTC and help develop law enforcement candidates that are attractive to employers, professional and prepared to enter the law enforcement environment. Nekoosa has had three interns since the inception of the program.

PATROL SERVICES

The Nekoosa Police Department patrols the City 24 hours each day, seven days a week. This past year, officers responded to 3,201 calls for service – the highest in the history of the department. Officers drove 61,203 miles. Attentive and dedicated patrol led to 580 traffic citations. Officers also issued 71 non-traffic municipal citations and made 121 criminal arrests.

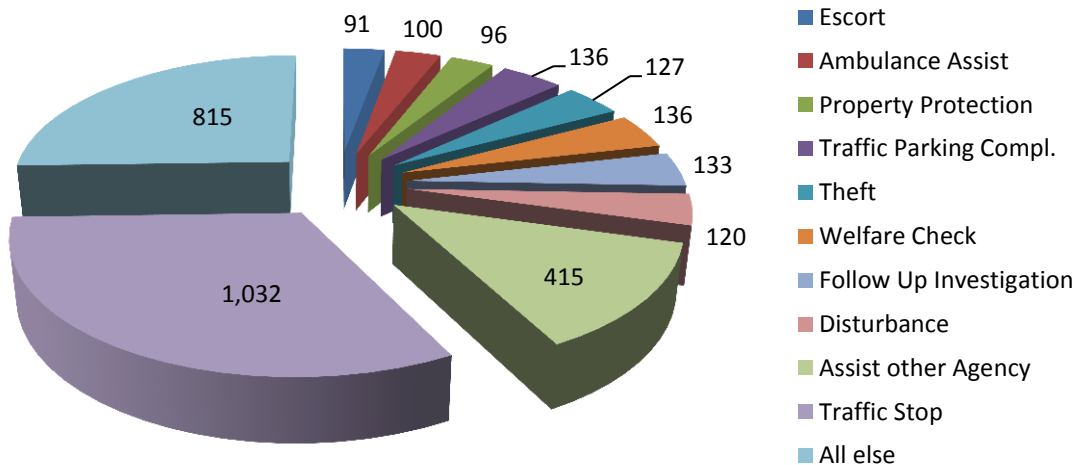


Activity	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Total
Wanted Person Check	6	1	3	2	3	2	0	17
Abandoned Vehicle	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	4
Alarms	6	7	7	3	5	4	4	36
All Other	9	18	23	20	16	13	20	119
Ambulance Call	16	13	11	17	9	18	16	100
Animal Complaint	12	7	8	15	9	14	8	73
Assist Citizen	9	9	22	17	8	9	10	84
Assist Motorist	3	2	2	3	4	4	0	18
Assist Other Agency	68	54	53	58	64	66	52	415
Attempt To Locate	2	3	4	0	1	1	1	12
Battery/Assault	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Burglary	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
Civil Matter	0	3	4	1	1	1	3	13
Computer Crimes	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	6
Court	0	1	0	0	7	0	0	8
Criminal Damage	2	2	3	3	2	7	4	23
Death/Suicide	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Disturbances	15	24	16	17	20	12	16	120
Domestic Problem	0	0	1	0	1	3	1	6
Drugs-Sale/Manufacture/Possess	4	1	1	1	3	3	1	14
Escort	0	14	17	18	17	12	13	91
Escort-Funeral	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Fire Call	4	4	0	2	6	5	4	25
Follow Up	10	13	22	30	25	16	17	133
Hazmat	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1

PATROL SERVICES

Activity	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Total
Lost or Found Animals	1	4	3	2	3	3	1	17
Mental/Alcohol Problem	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	4
Missing Person	6	3	1	4	4	2	3	23
Motor Vehicle Theft	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Off-Road Vehicle Complaint	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Paper Service	1	1	1	0	2	1	1	7
Property Protection	17	11	17	12	18	10	11	96
Prowler-Suspicious Subject/Vehicle	8	10	6	2	8	6	1	41
Repo Documentation	1	4	2	2	2	0	0	11
Report Writing	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
School Zone	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Search Warrant	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Sexual Offense	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	3
Special Detail	2	4	6	9	6	4	8	39
Telephone Abuse	3	2	2	4	3	4	1	19
Theft	15	13	25	25	23	12	14	127
Traffic Accident	10	5	6	6	7	6	4	44
Traffic Accident - Deer/Tag	1	2	1	3	0	0	0	7
Traffic Accident - Hit & Run	0	1	0	2	1	1	2	7
Traffic Accident - Personal Injury	0	0	1	1	2	3	2	9
Traffic/Parking Complaint	24	19	17	17	20	20	19	136
Traffic Inquiry	1	3	2	2	4	4	3	19
Traffic Stop	142	113	123	119	122	222	191	1,032
Training	1	1	1	2	2	0	2	9
Trespassing	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	5
Utility Problems	2	1	2	2	3	4	1	15
VIN Checks/Vehicle Inspection	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Warrant Pick-up	2	5	13	10	9	11	6	56
Welfare Check	11	19	14	15	11	14	15	99
Days Total	428	407	447	457	465	528	469	3,201

2015 MOST FREQUENT CALLS FOR SERVICE

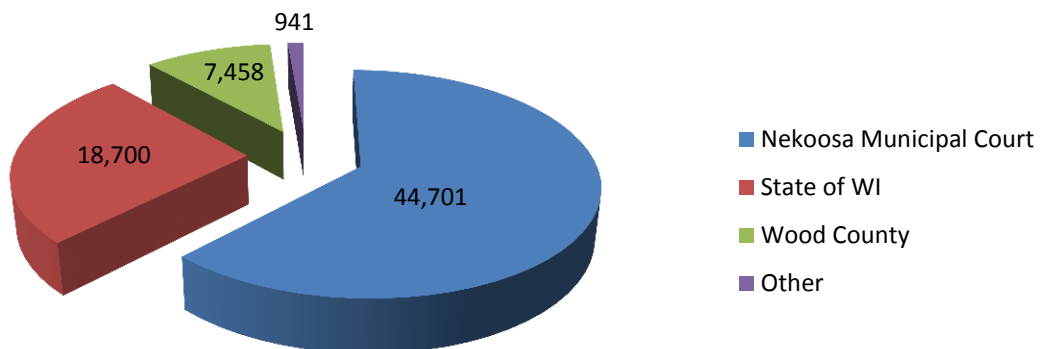


PATROL SERVICES

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CITATIONS

7.07(3)(A) LIMITED TIME PARKING - TWO HOURS	1
7.10 DISORDERLY CONDUCT/MOTOR VEHICLE	1
7.11(3) RECREATIONAL VEH OPERATING IN CITY RESTR	2
9.11(1) LITTERING	1
9.19(4) MINOR POSSESS/BUYING TOBACCO PROHIBITED	7
9.21(4)(b) TRUANCY-1ST OFFENSE	7
9.21(5) PARENT PERMITTING TRUANCY	1
9.21(9)(A) HABITUAL TRUANCY-PARENTAL 1ST OFFENSE	1
9.943.20 THEFT	2
9.943.215 ABSCONDING WITHOUT PAYING RENT	1
9.943.34 RECEIVING OR CONCEALING STOLEN PROPERTY	1
9.943.50 SHOPLIFTING / LESS THAN \$100.00	1
9.946.41 RESIST/OBSTRUCTING	4
9.947.01 DISORDERLY CONDUCT	11
9.948.70 TATTOOING OF CHILDREN	2
9.961.41(3g)(e) POSSESSION OF THC	3
9.961.573 POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	1
10.05(7) DILAPIDATED BUILDING	2
12.02(14) UNDERAGE-POSSESS OR CONSUME ALCOHOL VIOL	11
12.02(16) SOCIAL HOSTING	3
12.09(7)(e) DOG KILLS/WOUNDS/WORRIED DOMESTIC ANIMAL	1
125.07(1)(A)1. SELL ALCOHOL TO UNDERAGE PERSON	1
125.07(4) UNDERAGE DRINKING OR POSSESS ALCOHOL	2
125.07(4)(A) UNDERAGE DRINKING-PROCURES	1
125.07(4)(A)1. UNDERAGE DRINKING-PROCURES	1
125.07(4)(B) UNDERAGE DRINKING-POSSESS/CONSUME	2
TOTAL MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CITATIONS	71

MUNICIPAL COURT FINANCIAL DISBURSEMENT



PATROL SERVICES

WRITTEN TRAFFIC WARNINGS

WARN/SPEEDING	35
WARN/EQUIPMENT VIOLATIONS	2
WARN/NON-REG., EXPIRED REG., IMPROP REG	3
WARN/FAIL TO OR IMPROPER DISPLAY OF REG	1
TOTAL WRITTEN TRAFFIC WARNINGS	41

TRAFFIC CITATIONS

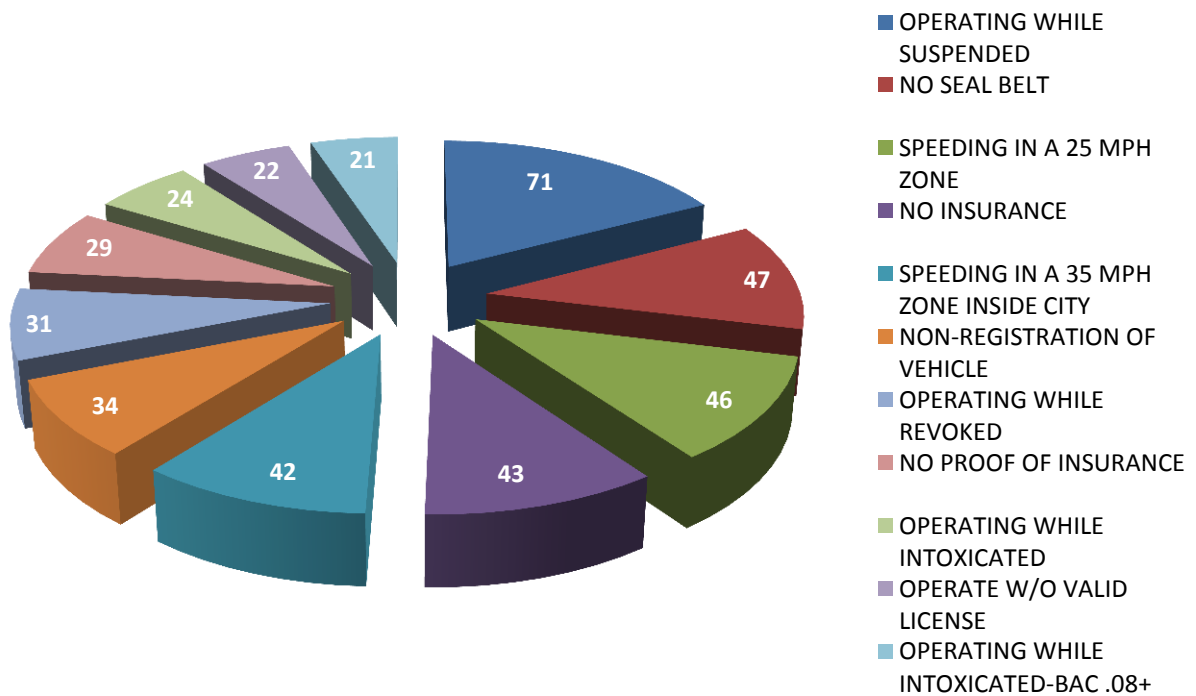
23.33(2)(A) OPERATE ATV WITHOUT VALID REGISTRATION	1
341.03(1) OPERATE AFTER REG REV/SUSP/CANCELED	12
341.04(1) NON-REGISTRATION OF VEHICLE	34
341.04(2) IMPROPER/NON-REGISTRATION OF VEHICLE	3
341.61(2) DISPLAY UNAUTH. VEH. REGISTRATION PLATE	4
341.62 DISPLAY FALSE VEHICLE REGISTRATION PLATE	1
342.15(5) FAILURE TO TRANSFER VEHICLE TITLE	1
343.05(3)(A) OPERATE W/O VALID LICENSE	22
343.05(3)(B) OPERATE MOTORCYCLE W/O VALID LICENSE	1
343.07(1G)(A)3 OPERATE MV BY PERMITTEE W/O AUTH PERSON	1
343.18(1) OPERATE W/O CARRYING LICENSE	1
343.43(1)(D) VIOLATE DRIVING LICENSE RESTRICTIONS	5
343.44(1)(A) OPERATING WHILE SUSPENDED	71
343.44(1)(B) OPERATING WHILE REVOKED	31
343.45(2) PERMIT UNAUTHORIZED PERSON TO DRIVE	4
344.62(1) OPERATE MOTOR VEH W/O INSURANCE	43
344.62(2) OPERATE MOTOR VEH W/O PROOF OF INSURANCE	29
346.04(2) FAIL OBEY TRAFFIC SIGN/SIGNAL	5
346.04(3) VEH.OPERATOR FLEE/ELUDE TRAFFIC OFFICER	3
346.05(1) OPERATING LEFT OF CENTER LINE	3
346.09(3) PASSING IN NO-PASSING ZONE	1
346.13 UNSAFE LANE DEVIATION	1
346.13(1) UNSAFE LANE DEVIATION	1
346.13(3) DEVIATION FROM DESIGNATED LANE	1
346.18(2) FAIL/YIELD WHILE MAKING LEFT TURN	2
346.18(3) FAIL/YIELD RIGHT/WAY FROM STOP SIGN	2
346.18(5) FAIL/YIELD RT/WAY FROM PARKED POSITION	1
346.23(1) FAIL/YIELD AT CONTROLLED INTERSECTION	1
346.24(1) FYR TO PEDESTRIAN/UNCONTROLL.INTERSECT.	1
346.31(2) IMPROPER RIGHT TURN	1
346.37(1)(C)1. OPERATOR VIOLATE RED TRAFFIC LIGHT	2
346.46 FAIL TO STOP/IMPROPER STOP AT STOP SIGN	1
346.46(1) FAIL/STOP AT STOP SIGN	5
346.57(2) UNREASONABLE AND IMPRUDENT SPEED	5
346.57(3) DRIVING TOO FAST FOR CONDITIONS	1
346.57(4)(B) SPEEDING AT SCHOOL CROSSING	2
346.57(4)(E) SPEEDING IN A 25 MPH ZONE	46
346.57(4)(F) SPEEDING IN A 35 MPH ZONE INSIDE CITY	42
346.57(5) EXCEEDING SPEED ZONES/POSTED LIMITS	9
346.63(1)(A) OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED	24
346.63(1)(AM) OPERATING WITH DETECTABLE RESTRICTED SUB	1
346.63(1)(B) OPERATING WHILE INTOXICATED-BAC .08+	21

PATROL SERVICES

TRAFFIC CITATIONS (CON'T.)

346.63(2M) MINOR OPERATE VEHICLE W/ BAC	2
346.67(1) HIT AND RUN	1
346.69 HIT AND RUN-PROPERTY ADJACENT TO HIGHWAY	3
346.70(1) FAILURE TO NOTIFY POLICE OF ACCIDENT	2
346.87 UNSAFE BACKING OF VEHICLE	1
346.89(1) INATTENTIVE DRIVING	5
346.93(1) MINOR TRANSPORTING INTOXICANTS IN MV	1
346.935(2) POSSESS OPEN INTOXICANTS IN MV	8
346.94(7) SPILLING WASTE LOAD ON/ALONG HIGHWAY	1
347.13(1) NO TAIL LAMP/DEFECTIVE TAIL LAMP-NIGHT	2
347.41 SPEEDOMETER VIOLATIONS	1
347.413(1) IGNITION INTERLOCK DEVICE TAMPERING	13
347.48(2M)(B) VEHICLE OPERATOR FAIL/WEAR SEAT BELT	47
347.48(2M)(C) OPERATOR FAIL/HAVE PASSENGER/SEATBELTED	1
347.48(2M)(D) RIDE IN VEHICLE W/O WEARING SEAT BELT	2
347.48(4)(AM) ALL CHILD RESTRAINT VIOLATIONS	2
348.10(2) OPERATE VEH./FAIL/PREVENT LEAKING LOAD	1
TOTAL TRAFFIC CITATIONS	539

2015 HIGHEST FREQUENCY TRAFFIC CITATIONS



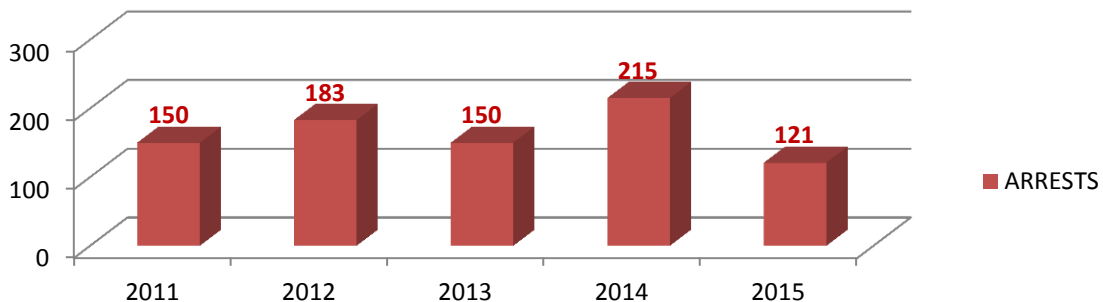
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CRIMINAL ARRESTS

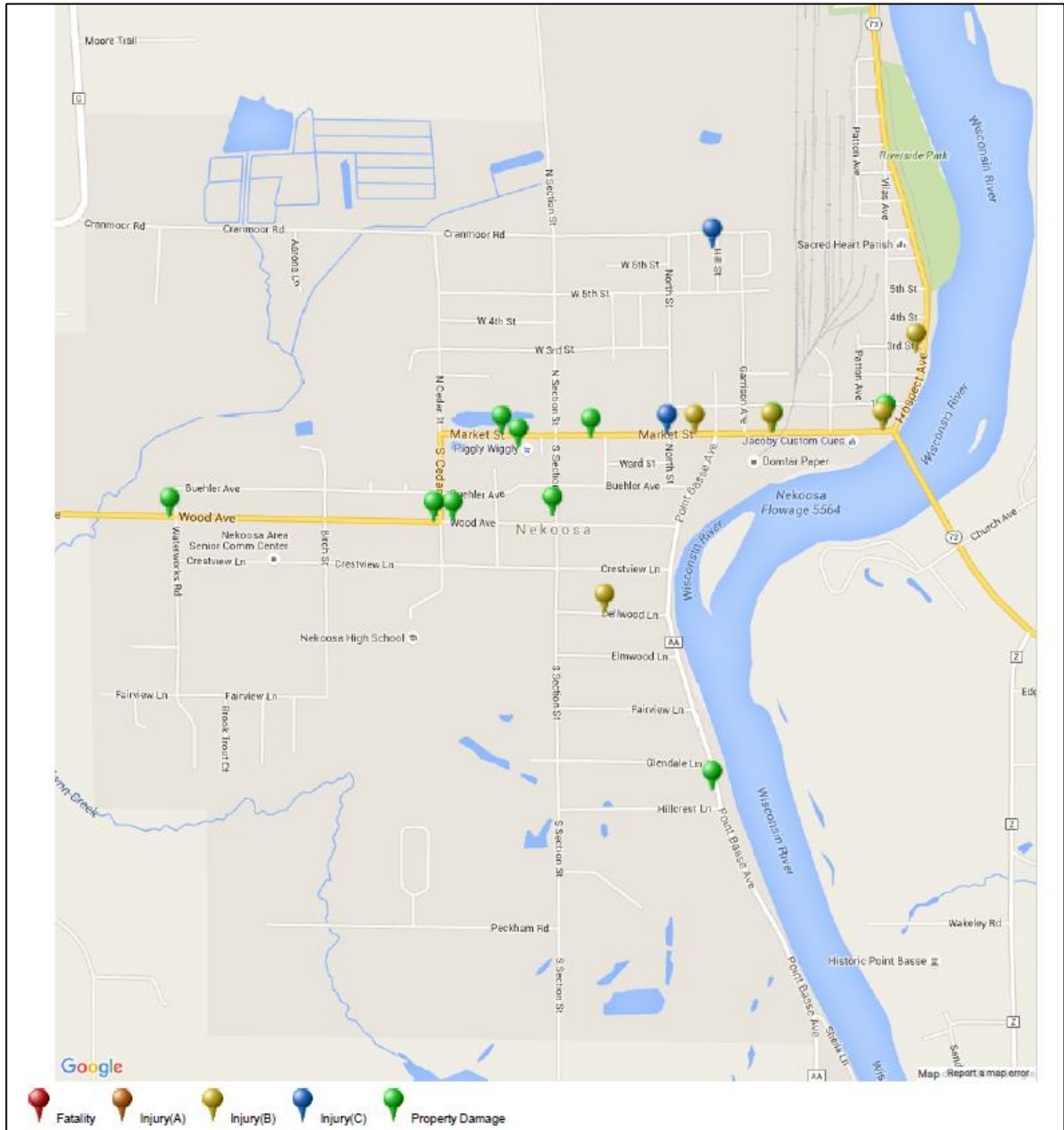
813.125(7) VIOLATE/HARASSMENT RESTRAINING ORDER	2
938.13(7) JUVENILE RUNAWAY	6
940.19(1) BATTERY-OTHER ASSAULT (SIMPLE)	7
940.19(2) BATTERY (SUBSTANTIAL) FELONY-CLASS E	1
940.225(2)(CM) 2ND SEXUAL ASSAULT/INTOXICATED VICTIM	2
940.235(2) STRANGULATION/REPEATER	1
940.45(1) INTIMIDATE VICTIM/USE OR ATTEMPT FORCE	1
943.01(1) CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY	5
943.10(1m)(a) BURGLARY-BUILDING OR DWELLING	1
943.14 CRIMINAL TRESPASS TO DWELLING	2
943.20(1)(A) THEFT-MOVABLE PROPERTY	8
943.201 UNATHORIZED USE OF INDIVIDUALS ID OR DOC/INFO	1
943.23(2) TAKE AND DRIVE VEHICLE W/O CONSENT	1
943.34(1)(A) RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY (<=\$2500)	1
943.50(1M)(B) RETAIL THEFT-INTENTIONALY TAKE	2
946.41(1) RESISTING OR OBSTRUCTING AN OFFICER	11
946.415 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH OFFICER	1
946.49(1)(A) BAIL JUMPING-MISDEMEANOR	5
946.49(1)(B) BAIL JUMPING-FELONY	6
946.65(1) OBSTRUCTING JUSTICE	1
947.01 DISORDERLY CONDUCT	18
947.12 UNLAWFUL USE OF PHONE	1
948.02(2) 2ND-DEGREE SEXUAL ASSAULT OF CHILD	1
948.61(2)(A) POSSESS DANGEROUS WEAPON AT SCHOOL	1
961.41(1)(H)1. MANUFACTURE/DELIVER THC	3
961.41(3G)(C) POSSESSION OF COCAINE	1
961.41(3G)(E) POSSESSION OF THC	9
961.573(1) POSSESS DRUG PARAPHERNALIA	12
973.10 PROBATION VIOLATION	10

TOTAL CRIMINAL ARRESTS 121

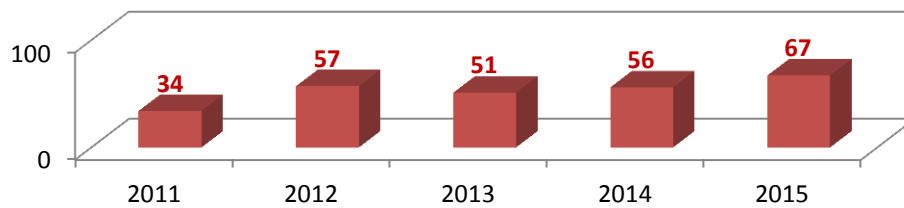
CRIMINAL ARRESTS - 5 YEAR TOTALS



AUTOMOBILE CRASHES



TRAFFIC CRASHES - 5 YEAR TOTALS



CODE ENFORCEMENT

From the beginning of June until the end of September I have had the privilege of serving the City of Nekoosa as the Code Enforcement Officer. Throughout that time span a significant amount of progress was made in the beautification of the City of Nekoosa. In this report I will attempt to summarize a majority of what took place during that time. This report is by no means all-inclusive, as it would be impossible for me to remember every contact and conversation that took place throughout the summer. The report is broken up into a variety of sections where enforcement efforts were made.

Long Grass

A total of 27 long grass notifications were made during the summer, 14 of these notifications were delivered in the month June alone. After June a significant decline in the number of notifications being delivered is seen. The decline is most likely due to the initial enforcement efforts made during the first month as well as the decrease in precipitation from July-Sept. A total of 9 out of the 27 notifications required maintenance and billing by the City. However, one property accounted for 1/3 of those maintained and billed. For future long grass enforcement efforts it may be worth considering raising the billing amount after subsequent offences in an attempt to stop chronic violations from occurring.

Unlicensed/Inoperable Vehicles

Throughout the City of Nekoosa a total of 25 vehicles were recorded as either being removed or having their registration renewed through the enforcement of the unlicensed and inoperable vehicle ordinance. This number is not a total encompassment of all vehicles dealt with as there were instances where only a verbal notice was issued and follow-up showed that the violation had been resolved without the need for an official written notice.

Dilapidated Buildings

Dilapidated buildings were the slowest cases to work through due to their magnitude. Personal contact was difficult to achieve and often written notification, although not preferred, had to be used in some of these cases. A total of 9 properties were notified of dilapidated building violations and in some cases citations were issued when deadlines failed to be met. However, dilapidated buildings were the only area in code enforcement where citations were necessary to invoke compliance.

Some of the dilapidated building cases are still ongoing because of the extend time frames necessary to make remediation of the violations attainable by the home owner. In future code enforcement efforts dilapidated building notices should be the first issued at the start of the spring or summer to provide a reasonable, fair-weather time frame for the violations to be remedied.

Junk Notifications

Junk notifications were given and enforced limitedly. Only 4 were recorded throughout the summer either due to complaints or they were the most blatant junk violations observed. Some verbal notifications were issued if personal contact was made and were followed by an

official written notice if the violation was not addressed. However, if I were to change something in the enforcement approach I made this summer it would be in the issuance of junk notifications. Personal contact was very difficult to achieve in most junk notification cases, and the property owner's absence is likely a large contributor to why the junk was not dealt with in the first place. Quicker issuance of written notices after personal contact attempts would allow these cases to be address in a more timely fashion which may provide more time to address some of the less severe junk violations throughout the city as well.

Businesses

Dollar General was the main business dealt with this summer for long grass, graffiti, and curled gutters along the east sidewalk paralleling the store building. Dollar General developed a regular property maintenance schedule for their grass to be mowed which worked well during June and July, but recurred less frequently in the following months. The graffiti which was on the west side of the building is now covered. The metal gutters were never addressed. However, they were the least concerning and lowest priority of the three violations.

Nekoosa Cash Advance had one issue with the amount and operability of vehicles in the business parking lot. After a couple meetings, with the business owner and with the City Council, conditions were agreed upon by which the business owner could continue effectively operating his business, while not degrading the appearance of the property or surrounding properties.

Sidewalks

Sidewalks were only enforced on a complaint based basis. Despite this limitation, three residential and one business sidewalk was notified. Sidewalk related ordinance enforcement may increase in future years depending on the decision to initiate a city-wide sidewalk repair and replacement plan discussed in July of 2015. From the enforcement perspective, a plan like the one discussed would be preferred as it is a far less biased form of addressing these violations than the current complaint based method.

Trees & Shrubs

There was only one tree removal done throughout the summer and another that is pending. There are a few other properties throughout the city that contain dead, dying, or diseased trees that could be dealt with in the future. However, the overall number of these properties is relatively low and I have recently noticed many of the property owners have begun addressing these issues on their own as we go into the fall season. The main area of concern I have seen regarding trees and shrubs is when they become obstructive to sidewalks and roadways which is becoming a growing issue throughout the city. This would have taken much more time than was available this summer to address and also must be done when the college summer help is employed with the Department of Public Works so the capacity to enforce the tree/shrub obstruction ordinance is available.

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Public Works Dept. Assistance

The Department of Public Works plays an intricate role in code enforcement throughout the city. I was able to assist the Director of Public Works, Bill Kaberle on multiple occasions in zoning and building related violations/disputes. Being able to assist in these cases is especially beneficial to the property owners, because it provides them multiple people to contact with any questions regarding a given violation. The Department of Public Works also aided my work greatly, specifically in the enforcement of the long grass ordinance when compliance by the property owner was not attained.

Complaints

At the beginning of the summer complaints were fairly scarce, but as awareness of the code enforcement position increased the number of complaints did as well. The number of complaints received never got overbearing and most often made the job more efficient because I did not have to take time looking for violations during my limited hours working each week. The thought that this position would cause community members to start pointing fingers at neighboring violations after receiving a notice never happened. As long as the property owners understood that they were not being singled out in any fashion they were accepting of the notices they received.

Overall I felt the code enforcement position was very beneficial to the community by making Nekoosa a more aesthetically pleasing and safer city. Benefits were also garnered by employees of the City of Nekoosa who previously would have had to take time away from other responsibilities to address code enforcement issues. I also felt the majority of community members were very respectful, accepting, and often appreciative of the code enforcement position. Understanding that public perception is an important aspect of providing quality law enforcement service, I would always strive to work with each individual I contacted rather than strictly enforce without lenience. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to provide this service to the City of Nekoosa and I hope further efforts will always be made for the betterment of this great community.

Tim Resheske, Code Enforcement Officer





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