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Michael W. Anderson, Chief

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To: Town Board

From: Michael Anderson

Re: Monthly Police Report for November 2013

During the month of October 2013 the La Pointe Police Department responded to the following:

- 67 Various Complaints/Incidents
- 10 Citizen Assist Requests
- 2 Before/After Duty Call Outs
- 3 Parking Violations
- 5 Vehicle Title/Registrations
- 1 Non-Reportable Traffic Accident
- 1 Reportable Accidents
- 5 Traffic Citations
- 1 Civil Process served
- 4 False Alarms

With summer coming to a close and fall/winter approaching, we have begun to reduce our man hours. This does not effect our hours of coverage. There have been years past that after we had decreased our man hours, we've had to turn around and increase them due to the amount of undesirable activity occurring. But overall, we can pretty much bank on a man hour reduction when the seasons change.

For many, many years, we have been asked to join the other law enforcement agencies in Ashland and Bayfield County in a software program to enable law enforcement officers to do a more complete job from responding to the initial call to referring a criminal charge to the District Attorney. We are one of two remaining police departments in the two County's not to participate in this software program. As I prepare the department for my leaving, I feel it's necessary to leave the remaining officers with every available tool to help them do their job. With that being said, I have requested that the La Pointe PD become a user in the "CODY" software system. This first has to be approved by the user group (surrounding departments) and there's an initial buy in cost of about \$3,000 for start up fee and a \$1,100 annual fee after that.

At our budget workshops it was determined that the tentative amount of the Ashland County share for law enforcement services went from \$113,500 in 2013 to \$124,500 in 2014. I believe the County's final budget meeting is on November 12. If the numbers holds true, it would go from a 41.2% to a 45.2% share in law enforcement services. It's not the 50% which we requested but it's a big improvement over last year.

We are refreshing ourselves with the updated hunting laws for the up and coming 2013 season. The trespassing, hunting in closed areas, poaching, etc. complaints have increased over the past few years. This is not from increased hunting pressure but from additional property owners who stay or return to the Island this time of year. We also concentrate on the less frequent but higher risk of lost hunters, medical emergencies in the woods etc. during the nine day season as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Anderson".

Michael Anderson
Police Chief