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October 3, 2011

Memorandum

TO: Town Council

FROM: Robert E. Forker
Acting Chief of Police 

RE: Police Department Monthly Report
Town Council Meeting October 11, 2011

During the month of August 2011, there were a total of 379 calls for service in the Town of Dumfries and 286 (75%) of them were handled by the Dumfries Police Department. In addition, Dumfries officers made a total of 156 traffic stops resulting in 57 traffic citations, and made an additional 4 criminal arrests. There were 50 parking citations issued.

Tropical Depression Lee negatively impacted the Town the night of September 5, 2011. The Police Department had sufficient staff working that night to address all concerns that occurred. The Police Department's role was limited to traffic control as the areas around Mine Road/Cameron Street and Possum Point Road flooded. The Department of Public Works assisted by providing traffic cones.

Officers provided Honor Guard duties during the viewing and funeral of former Town Sergeant Scites. The family was very appreciative of the Department's efforts. I have attached a copy of the thank you letter sent by the Scites family.

The Police Department hired Officer Michael Fink on September 19, 2011. Officer Fink is a Virginia Certified Officer who was last employed by the Town of Colonial Beach. He is meeting expectations and I expect him to be released to solo duties within four to six weeks.

On September 28, 2011, the Police Department conducted a "personal safety" and "employee safety" presentation to the owner and staff of Emoni's. This is a new business on Main Street that just opened its doors in September. The presentation was well received and staff felt it was useful.

Officers conducted foot patrols on 19 different days for a total of 25 ½ hours. These foot patrols were conducted both in residential and commercial areas. In addition, radar was conducted in targeted neighborhoods on eight days with 12 traffic summonses issued.

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Officers received one commendation for their participation in the funeral of former Town Sergeant Scites. There were no "Use of Force" investigations this month. The Department received and is investigating one citizen complaint regarding "improper conduct" on the part of two officers.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachments: As indicated

cc: Town Manager

Chief Forker,

Horace Edward Scites

I am writing on behalf of myself William Scites, Thomas Scites and Linda Wilkins, we would like to thank you and all of the Dumfries Police Department for the outstanding tribute given to our father's (Sgt. Horace E Scites) funeral service on September 14th. He always said he wanted to go out with a bang and between the Dumfries Police Department, Prince William Police Department, Prince William County Sheriff's Department and the military his wish came true. I know he loved being a Dumfries Police Officer. Once again thank you all very much.

Thank you,

William

Thomas

Linda

