

# Watkins Glen Police Department

**TO: Mayor and Board of Trustees**

**RE: Report of activity of the Police Department during 2016**

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<b>Total Incidents answered during 2016.....</b>	<b>2,254</b>
<b>Motor vehicle accidents.....</b>	<b>205</b>
<b>Motor vehicle accidents, injuries.....</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Emergency calls/Alarms.....</b>	<b>385</b>
<b>Funerals protected.....</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Value of property stolen.....</b>	<b>\$43,032.27</b>
<b>Value of property recovered.....</b>	<b>\$34,783.74</b>
<b>Fees Collected for Accident reports.....</b>	<b>\$270.50</b>
<b>WGPD1 Patrol Miles.....</b>	<b>12,197 miles</b>
<b>(2014 Ford)</b>	
<b>WGPD2 Patrol Miles.....</b>	<b>20,052 miles</b>
<b>(2014 Ford)</b>	
<b>WGPD3 Patrol Miles.....</b>	<b>1,910 miles</b>
<b>(2008 Dodge Durango)</b>	

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## Penal Law Arrest by Category

Rape/Sex Offences.....	1
Assault.....	4
Burglary.....	12
Larceny.....	48
Harassment.....	4
Criminal Mischief.....	5
Narcotic/Drug Possession.....	8
Family Offenses.....	4
Disorderly Conduct.....	5
Trespass.....	9
Criminal Contempt.....	2
Resisting Arrest.....	1
Criminal Impersonation.....	2
Menacing.....	2
Conspiracy.....	2
Fugitive from Justice.....	1
Criminal Possession of a Forged Instrument.....	1
Possession of Alcoholic Beverage under 21.....	2
<b>Total Penal Law Arrest.....</b>	<b>172</b>
<b>Arrest &amp; Bench Warrants.....</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Vehicle and Traffic citations issued.....</b>	<b>835</b>
<b>Driving While Intoxicated arrest.....</b>	<b>29</b>
<b>Bad Check Cases.....</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Bad check Cases referred to court.....</b>	<b>1</b>

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### **Parking Enforcement**

Parking Tickets issued.....	241
Parking Tickets Paid.....	203
Parking Ticket Fees Collected.....	\$2,760.00

The number of incidents handled by the Police Department in 2016 were on average with the past few years as well as the number of Traffic Citations issued. Motor Vehicle Accidents investigated for the year were up nearly 20%. The total number of Penal Law arrests for 2016 was up 15% from 2015 and the severity of the crimes also increased.

In 2016 the Police Department continued the Community Policing Officer position which consisted of an Officer on foot patrol assigned to the Business District during week day business hours. The officer's responsibilities were to be a visible uniform presence helping individuals and businesses with any issues that would arise. Another function of the officer was to enforce all parking violations. This position was well received by the community and continues to be a valuable addition to the department.

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Again in 2016 officers handled traffic and crowd control during events such as the Seneca 7 Running Relay, Cardboard Boat Regatta, Seneca Lake Wine and Food Festival, Fourth of July Festival, Italian Festival, Nascar Weekend, INDY Racing League, Vintage Car Festival and the Village Christmas. The Police Department Officers continued to teach Halloween Safety in 2016. The department was once again involved in the Schuyler County Stop DWI Program and participated in a grant provided by the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to help reduce aggressive driving behaviors and increase the number of individuals wearing seatbelts.

The department would like to thank the Mayor, Board of Trustees, Clerk Donna Beardsley, Deputy Clerk Naomi Kingsley, Superintendent Mark Specchio, Rhonda Slater and all other Village Departments for their continued support.

We would like to thank the citizens of the community and the business community who support the department throughout the year. Your continued support enables the department to better protect and serve the people of our community and the many visitors to our Village. We pledge to continue serving our community in a professional and efficient manner. Lastly I would like to thank all members of the department for their continued dedication to the Village of Watkins Glen.