

Watkins Glen Police Department

TO: Mayor and Board of Trustees

RE: Report of Activity of the Police Department during 2017

The number of incidents handled by the Police Department in 2017 were on average with the past few years. The number of Traffic Citations issued increased by 20% which shows a direct correlation with the decrease in motor vehicle Accidents investigated for the year by 20%. The total number of Penal Law arrests for 2017 was even with 2016, however narcotic arrests were up 90%.

2017 brought some changes to the structure of the police department. I would personally like to thank the Mayor and Board of Trustees for having the faith in me to lead this department and allowing me to fill a full time position that allows us to have a more consistent scheduling of officers. 2017 brought some challenges to the department with the major one being one of our patrol vehicles being totaled in a bizarre incident. I would like to thank the Mayor and Board for allowing us to purchase a new vehicle to keep our fleet full.

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Again in 2017 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 2017. 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 again like to thank the Mayor, Board of Trustees, Clerk Donna Beardsley, Superintendent Lee Kent, Street Superintendent Don Perry, 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.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sgt-In-Charge Steven M. Decker

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Total Incidents answered during 2017.....2,196

Motor vehicle accidents.....169

Motor vehicle accidents, injuries.....21

Emergency calls/Alarms.....382

Funerals protected.....9

Value of property stolen.....\$12,759.29

Value of property recovered.....\$10,156.34

Fees Collected for Accident reports.....\$310.75

**WGPD1 Patrol Miles.....7,626 miles
(2014 & 2017 Ford)**

**WGPD2 Patrol Miles.....20,739 miles
(2014 Ford)**

2008 Chevy Impala Miles.....3,155 miles

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Penal Law Arrest by Category

Rape/Sex Offences.....	1
Assault.....	3
Burglary.....	4
Larceny.....	28
Harassment.....	6
Stolen Property.....	3
Criminal Mischief.....	7
Weapons Possession.....	3
Narcotic/Drug Possession.....	62
Family Offenses.....	7
Disorderly Conduct.....	11
Trespass.....	3
Criminal Contempt.....	1
Resisting Arrest.....	2
Obstruction of Justice.....	3
Falsely Reporting an Incident.....	1
Possession of Alcoholic Beverage under 21.....	4
Total Penal Law Arrest.....	175
Arrest & Bench Warrants.....	26
Vehicle and Traffic citations issued.....	1,038
Driving While Intoxicated arrest.....	23
Bad Check Cases.....	11
Bad check Cases referred to court.....	1

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2017 Annual Parking Ticket Report

Number of Tickets issued:	238
Number of Tickets dismissed:	8
Number of Tickets voided:	5
Total Number of Tickets Paid:	216
Fines Collected:	\$3,898.00

Respectfully,

Rhonda Slater
Treasurer
Police Department