TO: Mayor and Board of Trustees

REPORT OF ACTIVITY FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN 2019

I would like to thank the Mayor and the Board of Trustees for their continued support of the Police Department and I look forward to continuing to work with you to improve and expand this department in the future.

I would like to asso thank Village Clerk Lonnie Childs, Village Treasurer Rhonda Slater and new comers Barbara Peterson and Sarah Watson for their assistance throughout the year. I would like to thank all the other departments in the Village for their assistance, especially Ken Barber and the Street Department for their assistance during Festival Setups and Michelle Hyde and the Parks Department for their assistance during Festivals. Without their help, the Festivals would not run as smooth as they do.

The Department 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 Brandon E. Matthews

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Total Incidents Answered During 2019 = 2,433

Motor Vehicle Accidents	200
Motor Vehicle Accidents with Injuries	
Fees Collected for Accident Reports	\$ 314.25
Emergency Calls & Alarms	478
Funerals Protected	12
Value of Property Stolen	\$ 34,934.82
Value of Property Recovered	
Parking Tickets Issued	212
Parking Tickets Paid	204
Parking Fees Collected	
WGPD 1 Patrol Miles(2017 Ford)	17,915 Miles
WGPD 2 Patrol Miles	7,316 Miles
2014 Ford)	•
2008 Chevy Impala Miles (May-Dec)	

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Penal Law Arrest by Category

Assault	4
Robbery	1
Burglary	6
Petit Larceny	35
Grand Larceny 3 rd Degree	2
Harassment	
Criminal Mischief	
Narcotic/Drug Possession	
Endangering Welfare of a Child	4
Unlawful Dealing with a Child	
Criminal Contempt	
Obstruct Breathing	
Disorderly Conduct	
Resisting Arrest	
Obstruction of Justice	3
False Personation	2
Reckless Endangerment	4
Forcible Touching	1
Unlawful Fleeing	2
Forgery	1
Possession of Forged Instrument	5
Fraud Involving a Security Interest	
Village Ordinance	
Total Penal Law Arrests	120
Arrest & Bench Warrants	38
Vehicle and Traffic Citations Issued	683
Driving While Intoxicated Arrests	17
Bad Check Cases	9
Bad Check Cases Referred to Court	3

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The total number of Incidents handled by the Police Department in 2019 was about the same as in 2018. The number of Traffic Citations issued were down from 2018, as well as Driving While Intoxicated Arrests. I believe this to be due to our always diligent traffic enforcement and that the STOP DWI Program over the many years we have been a part of has worked to reduce it. The total number of Penal Law Arrests for 2019 decreased by about 33% and Narcotic Related Arrests also saw a decline of more than 50%.

Again in 2019 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, NASCAR Weekend, Italian Festival, Vintage Car Festival and Village Christmas. 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.