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AROUND TOWN

During the week of 04/25/21 to 05/01/21, the Hermantown PD had 156 calls. The following are selected incidents HPD responded to this week.

Chief Jim Crace

Commanders Mark Gunderson Jon Esterbrooks

Sergeants William Marsolek Griffin Pfeiffer - K9

Detective Lisa Volk

Officers Jason Salo Tim Battaglia Jon Pernu - K9 Jon Enright Jake Williams Erika Johnson - SRO Jeff Dwyer Quinn Mischke Olivia Gottschald Jonathan Stracek

K-9 Officers Tuuko Jack

Records Jessica Sorensen Dana Ross Samantha Knapp

Disturbance

On 4/29, officers were dispatched to Dairy Queen for the report of two males being disruptive and bothering people near the drive-thru area. The males were gone when officers had arrived on scene. Employees of Dairy Queen were advised to call us back, if they returned.

Suspicious Activity

Around 1:20 a.m. on April 28, officers found a vehicle parked at Hermantown Storage. Upon getting closer to the vehicle, officers found the occupants to be sleeping. The occupants were woken up and sent on their way.

Accidents

Around 11:30 a.m. on April 27, officers were dispatched to Sam's Club for the report of a vehicle accident. One vehicle had backed up into another vehicle, and a note was left with contact information. The damaged vehicle had a dent on the tailgate. Officers were able to contact the driver who caused the accident. The driver admitted to the backing into the other party's vehicle with their hitch.

On the evening of April 27, officers were dispatched to an accident involving a vehicle and a deer. The vehicle had left the scene, and the deer was reported to still be alive, but in the roadway. Upon arrival, the deer was able to get up on its own and went into the woods.

On the morning of April 30, an injured deer and car parts were found on Midway Road near Hermantown Road. The accident was not reported. Both of the deer's back legs were broken, so the deer was put to rest.

Miscellaneous

Around noon on April 27, officers were dispatched to U-Haul for the report of a stolen vehicle. It was reported that a customer had just walked into the store to return their rental vehicle, when a passenger car pulled into the lot and a male jumped into the rental only to drive off with it. Officers received a call a few hours later stating that it was a misunderstanding. The male who took the rental, was also a customer and had assumed that the rental vehicle was his.



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Theft

On the afternoon of April 25, officers were dispatched to Walmart for the report of a female currently in the act of shoplifting at Walmart. Upon coming into contact with the 50-year-old female, she was found to have stolen over \$470 worth of merchandise. The female was cited for theft.

On the morning of April 27, officers were dispatched to Walmart for the report of a female shoplifter. The 35-year-old female was observed purchasing merchandise at the self-checkouts, but concealed a notebook and fillet knife before trying to exit the store. The woman admitted to stealing the items. She was issued a citation for shoplifting.

Around 5:10 p.m. on April 28, officers were dispatched to Fleet Farm for the report of a male shoplifter. The 20-year-old male had concealed a knife in the back of his pants. The male was still in the store while officers arrived on scene. When the male attempted to leave the building, Officer Gottschald made contact with him and brought him back into the store. The male immediately turned over the knife, and was issued a citation for shoplifting.

On April 28 around 12:20 p.m., officers were dispatched to an after-the-fact theft call that occurred at a storage unit. The reporting party stated that their trailer with snowmobiles and a four-wheeler had been stolen from the storage facility. This case is under investigation.

On the afternoon of April 29, a 29-year-old male was found to be shoplifting at Walmart. Officer Salo arrived on scene to speak with Walmart staff and the male suspect. The male admitted to stealing six Lego sets and a knife, all valued at \$494.67. He was ultimately issued a citation for theft.