



# Message from the Chief

It is with great pleasure that I present this report on the activities of the New Holstein Police Department for the first half 2022. This report showcases the amazing work the men and women of the Department have accomplished in the first seven months of the year. I am very proud of the efforts of all the employees of the New Holstein Police Department and the challenges they took on and opportunities presented to them up to this point.

Over the course of the past seven months, the men and women of the New Holstein Police Department accomplished a great deal, with our attention continuing to focus on preventing crime, the fear of crime, and nurturing the collaborative partnerships we so heavily rely upon to assist us in enhancing the quality of life for all visitors, citizens, and business owners. As COVID-

19 continued to impact the workforce and community, the department continued their adaptation to the new environment that we must function within.

The men and women who represent our department are true professionals dedicated to serving the noble cause of policing. The New Holstein Police Department has had many challenges over the past few years, however I believe we are on a trajectory of success with a clear vision of community-based policing. The members of the New Holstein Police Department strive to meet the high expectations of professionalism that has been asked of them and work hard to earn the trust and respect of the community.

We have accomplished a lot since I took over as police chief. We have implemented numerous projects, such as brand-new squad cameras, evidence software to change from a paper system to now a barcoding system, appointed a new Captain, and we are currently filling numerous full-time officer positions. We also were able to create a 7<sup>th</sup> officer position, which will allow us to have better coverage in the city, while reducing overtime and maintaining officer wellness. We purchased a new squad car and as a team created a new identity by changing the graphics, which will represent our department in a more professional way.

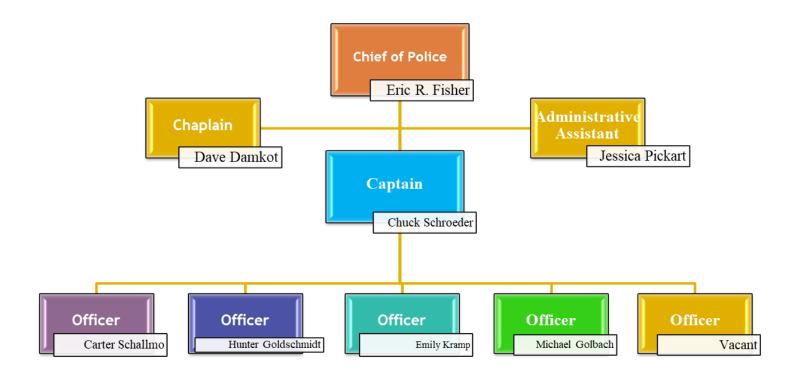
Although we have accomplished a lot, we still have a lot of work to do this year. A few of the goals that I would like to see completed by the end of the year is employee development. I believe in order to have a great department, you must have great leaders. I feel everyone on my team has the ability to be a great leader in order to help those new officers coming into the department. This is why training and leadership development is so crucial in police departments today. Other goals include implementing new community policing events in order to interact with our citizens on a more regular basis to bridge that gap in community relations. We have made great strides in doing this since I started in November 2021; however, I do believe we have lot more we can do in order to build better relationships with our community and gain more of that trust.

Lastly, I am always grateful to the residents who share their experiences after interacting with an officer. We appreciate the recognition when we perform well and the opportunity to develop ways to improve when we don't meet your expectations.

Thank you to the residents of the City of New Holstein, the City Council, and Police Commission for the opportunity to serve in this position as the police chief.

Eric R. Fisher Chief of Police New Holstein Police Department

## NEW HOLSTEIN POLICE DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

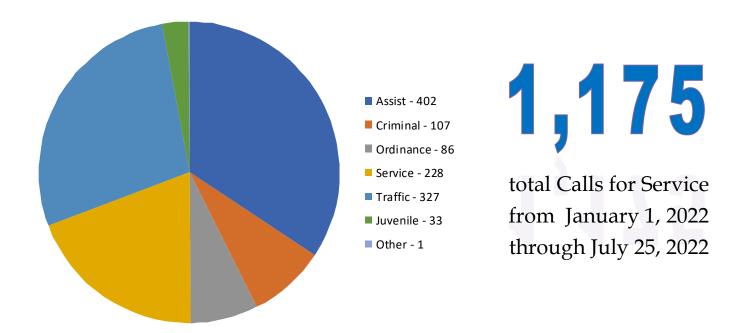


### STAFF UPDATES

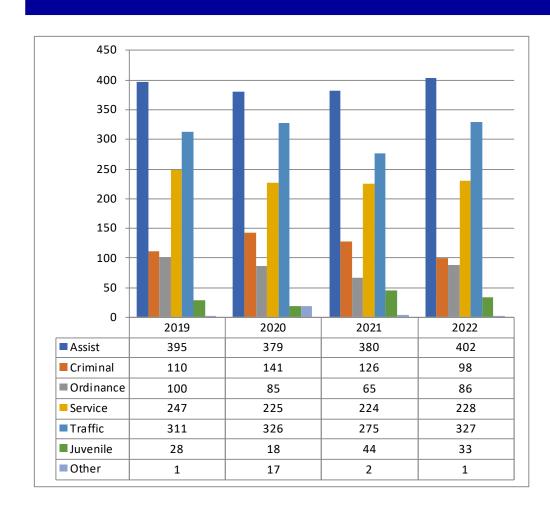
There have been many changes in the Department since the beginning of 2022. In January, Officer Chuck Schroeder was promoted to the position of Captain and Officer Carter Schallmo was promoted to full-time. May brought us the retirement of Officer Rob Baldwin, who had been with the Department since 1996. Officers Thome, Toltzmann, and Pawlosky left the Department to pursue other opportunities. Officer Hunter Goldschmidt, a recent NWTC graduate, joined the Department in June and Officer Emily Kramp, a recent LTC graduate, joined the Department in July. Lastly, Officer Michael Golbach has been promoted to full-time.

"Every society gets the kind of criminal it deserves. What is equally true is that every community gets the kind of law enforcement it insists upon."

#### JANUARY-JULY, 2022 CALLS FOR SERVICE



#### 2019 TO 2022 COMPARISONS

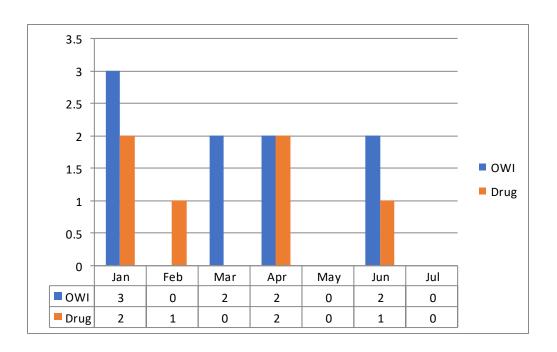


Total Calls For Service	
by Year	
(January 1—July 27)	
2019	1192
2020	1191
2021	1116
2022	1175

#### NOTABLE CASES OF 2022

- In early January, NHPD received information from the Kenosha County Sheriff's Office regarding a potential sexual assault of a nine-year-old child, occurring in July of 2019, in the City of New Holstein. Charges were referred to the Calumet County District Attorney's Office and a Criminal Complaint was filed in May, 2022.
- ♦ A domestic disturbance was reported on March 9, 2022, culminating in the suspect fleeing on foot into a field at the north end of the city. The suspect was apprehended and currently has disorderly conduct charges pending with the Calumet County District Attorney's Office.
- On March 11, 2022, a 67-year-old male was stopped for driving without activating the vehicle's headlights. The male was ultimately found to be operating under the influence—2nd offense.
- On March 18, 2022, a 32-year-old male was arrested for attempting to break into a home and charges are currently pending with the Calumet County District Attorney's Office.
- ♦ On April 13, 2022, NHPD responded to a medical call for a 24-year-old male with an accidental self-inflicted gunshot wound.
- Also on April 13, 2022, NHPD was dispatched for an intoxicated suicidal male, who was located in the area behind Caring Hands. The male was resistive and use of force was ultimately used by a Calumet County Sheriff's Deputy to subdue the subject. Charges for disorderly conduct have been filed by the Calumet County District Attorney's Office.
- On April 25, 2022, a 37-year-old female was stopped for driving without activating the vehicles headlights. The female was ultimately found to be operating under the influence—3rd offense.
- On June 18, 2022, NHPD was dispatched to the Altona for a hit-and-run accident. Officers were able to locate the at-fault driver, who was arrested for operating while under the influence—4th offense.
- On June 24, 2022, NHPD responded to a domestic disturbance involving a 34-year-old male. During the incident, the individual became armed with a knife and a stand-off ensued. Assistance was received from the Calumet County Sheriff's Office, the Chilton Police Department, and the Kiel Police Department. Once the individual was detained, he was taken to the hospital for medical clearance and then to the Calumet County Jail to be booked on charges of battery or threat to judge, prosecutor, or law enforcement officer and disorderly conduct.
- On June 27, 2022, NHPD was dispatched for a roll-over accident on Wisconsin Avenue. The 28-year-old driver of the vehicle was arrested for operating while under the influence—1st Offense.
- On July 9, 2022, NHPD responded to a report of a large fight on Taft Avenue. Upon arrival at the scene, it was discovered that a 33-year-old female had created a disturbance by accusing a 21-year-old male of serious offenses and then fleeing the scene. The female was later apprehended at the Firefighter's Picnic. Charges of disorderly conduct are being referred to the District Attorney's Office.
- ♦ On July 10, 2022, NHPD responded to a disturbance involving a 22-year-old, who was currently on probation. The male was transferred to the Calumet County Jail for probation violations.
- On July 12, 2022, NHPD responded to a medical call for a suicide by hanging at the Starlite Motel.
- On July 22, 2022, NHPD responded to a domestic disturbance, resulting in an arrest and charges filed.
- On July 25, 2022, mutual aid was requested by Calumet County Sheriff's Department for a rollover accident and vehicle fire just outside of town, resulting in the serious injury of one occupant. The driver of the vehicle was arrested for causing injury while operating while under the influence.

#### 2022 OWIS AND DRUG CASES



## 2022 INCIDENTS RELATED TO FIREFIGHTER'S PICNIC



- Disorderly conduct citation issued for a fight in the park.
- Three missing children were reported children were located and returned to parents.
- One complaint regarding illegal fireworks on Saturday night.
- Several complaints regarding lost/found items.

"True public safety requires a collaboration between law enforcement and the community."

-Betsy Hodges

#### **EQUIPMENT UPGRADES**

The Department has made multiple equipment upgrades this year in order to make the Department more efficient. Those upgrades have included the following:

- New Squad—We received delivery of our new squad in April. The officer collaborated on a new, updated design, and the vehicle was put into service in May.
- Squad Cameras—The squad cameras were updated, allowing for higher quality video, providing better transparency, and a more efficient downloading process to the server.
- Evidence Software—New evidence software was implemented, allowing for more efficient tracking of evidence using a barcode system.
- Winscribe Dictation Software—Prior to the implementation of Winscribe Dictation software, officers were dictating their reports on microcassettes, using micro-recorders, which have long become obsolete. The new Winscribe software allows the officers to dictate reports from anywhere, using an app on the Department cellphones. The app also allows the officers to automatically upload photos of the incident with their dictated reports. The app transfers the dictation and photos directly to the Administrative Assistant. The quality of dictation has greatly improved, and this allows the officers to stay out on the road.
- Upgraded Computers for Department—All computers in the office have been updated this year.



#### **COMMUNITY POLICING EVENTS**

Community Policing is the philosophy encourages interactive partnerships between law enforcement and the people they serve. Officers have been actively participating in community events, including the Kiwanis 'n Cops 'n Kids program, the annual Easter egg hunt sponsored by Premier Financial, the Firefighter's Picnic, New Holstein's Airport Day, and being present at the activities at the school, such as the Harlem Wizards Game and the elementary school's Winter Carnival. We have also been known to hand out popsicles and ice cream treats at the pool, stop at roadside lemonade stands, and even participate in a quick pick-up game of basketball!









# COMMUNITY POLICING EVENTS (CONTINUED)





