

AGENDA FOR THE CITY OF BARABOO PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Members noticed must notify Committee Chairman Wedekind at least 24 hours before the meeting if they will not be able to attend.

Date and Time: Monday, February 9th, 2015 – **1:00 P.M.**
Location: City Services Center - 450 Roundhouse Court, Baraboo, Wisconsin
Members Noticed: Phil Wedekind, Tom Kolb, Michael Plautz
Others Noticed: Administrator E. Geick, Mayor M. Palm, City Attorney M. Reitz, Police Chief M. Schauf, Fire Chief K. Stieve, T. Pinion, R. Koss, W. Peterson, E. Robkin, Media, and Library.

1. **Call to Order**

- a. Note compliance with the Open Meeting Law.
- b. Roll call.
- c. Approve agenda.
- d. Approve minutes of January 6, 2015 Public Safety Committee meeting.

2. **New Business**

- a. Review and recommendation regarding Public Works Department staffing and filling a current vacancy.
- b. Discussion and recommendation regarding the proximity of the existing alley right-of-way behind the Baraboo Public Library and its impact on their expansion plans.
- c. Review and recommendation to award contract for the Mine Street Water Tower Repainting project.
- d. Review and recommendation to approve the Joint Powers Agreement for the 911 System.
- e. Discuss the prospective implementation of Rescue Task Force procedures in Baraboo
- f. Discuss the Police Department's concerns about building security at City Hall.
- g. Review response times report for Baraboo Fire Department.

3. **Reports**

- a. Utility Superintendent's Report
- b. Street Superintendent's Report
- c. Police Chief's Report
- d. Fire Chief's Report

4. **Adjournment**

Phil Wedekind, Chairperson

Agenda Prepared by Kris Jackson
Agenda Posted by Kris Jackson February 06, 2015

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MEMORANDUM

City of Baraboo

Date: February 06, 2015
To: Public Safety Committee
From: Tom Pinion
Re: Background for February 9th Meeting

New Business:

Item A. The staff of the Public Works Department consists of 15 employees. Historically, there have been 14 crewmen and 1 mechanic. In May 2013, Bob and I recommended that we fill a vacant crewman's position with a second mechanic, which you approved. With the recent resignation of one of the mechanics, we have a vacancy to fill. Bob and I are recommending that we replace the second mechanic with a crewman. The one mechanic we have is very capable and has proven over the course of the last several months he can handle the workload. If a backlog develops, we have several mechanically inclined crew members that can provide any necessary assistance. The Department's staffing level would remain at 15 employees and with your approval, we will fill the vacant position with a semi-skilled crewman.

Items B. The Baraboo Library is developing concept plans for their future expansion. During a recent presentation by their architect, it was noted that the opportunity to provide windows on the north side (back) of the library was limited by the buildings proximity to the property line, which is the southerly right-of-way line for the alley. The architect explained that if the property line were further from the building, they could add some windows to the back of the existing building as well as the proposed addition. The Library Board and their Building Committee inquired about the possibility of vacating the alley, to eliminate the property line, in favor of an alley easement. We have storm sewer in that alley and there is an overhead electrical line in the alley. I am looking for a final decision or recommendation but would like some feedback from the Committee to share with the Library Board.

Item C. Please refer to the attached Resolution.

Item D. Please refer to the information in the packet.

Item E & F. Chief Schauf will be providing you with information at the meeting.

Item G. See attached report.

Have a great weekend and I will see you on Monday!

Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting – January 9, 2015

Members Present: Phil Wedekind, Tom Kolb, and Mike Plautz. **Others Present:** Administrator Geick, Mayor Palm, Chief Schauf, Chief Stieve, Engineer Pinion, Bob Koss, and Wade Peterson, Off. Labroschian, and Kris Jackson.

Call to Order - Committee Chairman Phil Wedekind called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. at the City Service Building, 450 Roundhouse Court, Baraboo, Wisconsin. Compliance with the Open Meeting Law was noted. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Plautz to approve the agenda as posted and by voice vote, the motion carried. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Plautz to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2014 meeting. By voice vote the motion carried.

New Business

- a. Recommendation for acquisition of Becker's Lynn Street and Depot Street properties – Engineer Pinion that Sauk County has acquired these properties by tax deed and staff feels that it is in the City's best interest to acquire these properties, one for Riverfront redevelopment purposes, and the other one to allow the City Service Campus, which could utilize a good portion of the building that is there. Wedekind asked what the taxes were on these properties. Pinion said that the Lynn Street property is roughly \$54,000 in total back taxes and the Depot Street property is over \$10,000. He said that at this point it is unknown how generous the County is willing to be. If the Committee is in agreement then they would recommend to the Council actually give Administrator Geick the permission to begin to negotiate with the County on the acquisition of those properties. He said that the Lynn Street property does have some environmental concern. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Plautz to recommend the acquisition of the Becker properties on Lynn Street and Depot Street. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Review and approval to purchase 2000 Ford Cargo Van from Water Utility to replace Engineering Department's 2000 Ford Ranger – Pinion said that the Ford Ranger is on its last leg and needs to be replaced. He said that the van is a ¾-ton and will serve the Engineering Department's needs for a long time to come. He said that originally money was put into the 2015 budget to replace the truck with a new; however, after deliberations with the Mayor and staff it was decided that the department could forego that as long as the van could be acquired. The money would be coming out of the Public Works Equipment Replacement Fund. He said for \$3,000 they are able to upgrade and the truck will be sold, and for the \$500 that will be gotten, they will buy some lumber and built racks in the back of the van to hold the equipment and supplies. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Plautz to approve the purchase of the 2000 Ford Cargo Van from Water Utility. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Review and approval of the Pavement Design Report for the STH 123 resurfacing project - Pinion said that Hwy. 123 will become Parkway and Walnut Street and will lose its designation in 2017 when the bypass comes in. He said that part of the jurisdictional transfer agreement that was approved said that it would become a local road and in order to do that, the State has to come in and give it a minimum of a 15-year life, so they are going to resurface it. Pinion said that his response is that he would rather see 4-inches milled rather than 3½, but at the very least we will have 3½" milled. It was moved by Plautz, seconded by Kolb to approve the Pavement Design Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- d. Review and recommendation of award of Well #8 Rehabilitation & Repair contract to CTW Corporation – Peterson said that Well #8 is their newest well and there has been significant loss in production. This well is being used a little as possible at this time. He said bids were taken for the removal of it, similar to what was done for Well #6 and then they had each vendor give numbers of different items that may be required to fix it. He said that the low bid was CTW. He said that they are not sure what the repairs will be; therefore, he put in that the repairs could not exceed \$15,000. He said that repairs cost less than \$15,000 at Well #6, so he put a ceiling on it. He said there is \$7,500 to pull it, and then not to exceed \$15,000 for the repairs. He said if it is something more significant than this he will bring it back to the Committee. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Plautz to recommend the award of Well #8 Rehabilitation & Repair contract to CTW Corporation for \$7,536.00 and not to exceed \$15,000 for repairs. Motion carried unanimously.
- e. Review and approve utility billing credit for an undetected water leak at 1017 Parkside Avenue – Peterson said that the leak detection system didn't not pick up this significant leak. He did say that they are catching most of the leaks. He said that the total credit between water and sewer is \$1,653.55. It was moved by Kolb, seconded by Plautz to approve the utility billing credit in the amount of \$1,653.55. Motion carried unanimously.
- f. Review and recommendation of proposed Amendment to the Lease Agreement with US Cellular to add additional equipment to their existing antennae array on top of the CTH A Water Tower – Pinion said that in 2001 the City executed a license agreement with US Cellular Operating Company for an array up to 12 antennae. He said that they would like to add some equipment to supplement and improve the operating capability of their existing antennae array. He said to add these four pieces of equipment it is an extra \$1,500 per year. It was moved by Plautz, seconded by Kolb to recommend approval of the proposed amendment to the Lease Agreement with US Cellular to add additional equipment to their existing antennae array on top of the CTH A Water Tower. Motion carried unanimously.
- g. Status of refuse disposal at 424 4th Avenue and 506-509 Martin Street (Hilltop apartments) – Chief Schauf said that there have been numerous complaints both at the Hilltop Court Apartments and the property at 424 4th Avenue. He said that the 4th Avenue dumpster has been filled over capacity for some time. He said that the owners have not been paying their disposals; therefore, the company stopped picking up the dumpsters. In an effort to resolve this, the department has contacted both property owners and both have been issued citations for failure to abate after notices were issued. He said that that it got to the point where the Department actually called the company and secure that the City would pay for the disposal fee and put it on their taxes. He said that the 4th Avenue property was done twice, the second time the disposal company removed the dumpster, at which point the owners were told either they get this problem taken care of, or they would be shut down because they had no way to dispose of the trash. He said that the owner of the 4th Avenue property has since entered into a new agreement with a new disposal company and this is resolved. He said that it appears that the City will have more and more of these problems and he wanted to advise the Committee of the issues and what steps were taken because if the steps taken in the case hadn't resolved the issue, they will have to take

more aggressive actions, including possibly including the Department of Health and declaring the property inhabitable because they have no way to get rid of their garbage.

Reports

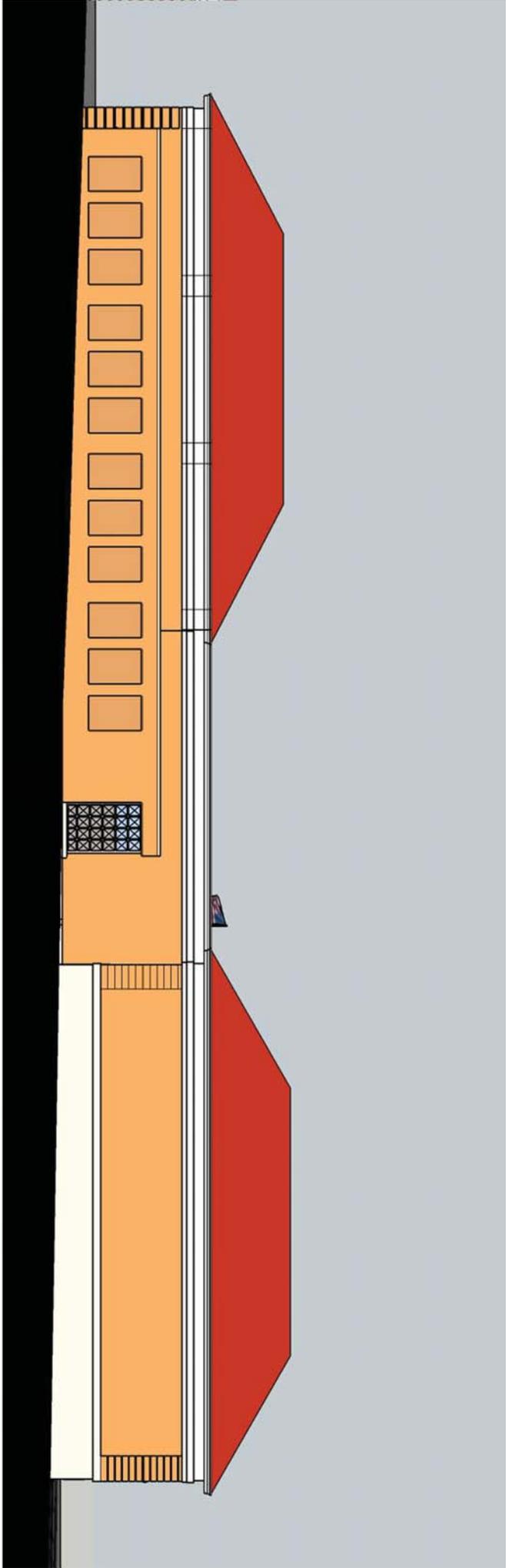
- a. **Utility Superintendent's Report** – Peterson then presented two possibilities for painting the Mine Street water tower. He said that this is a bid thing and it was kind of left open for a couple of different options so were weren't committed to how it would be painted. Contacts were made with the Country Club if they would partake in anything or if they had any ideas; however, he hasn't heard from them. He said that two-tone painting is becoming more common to hide the mold on the bottom of towers. He said that he is continuing to speak to City Hall regarding possibly taking over some of the duties that they now do for them. He said that there has been a new employee hired at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. He said in 2014 the Utility had 11 water main breaks, 14 service breaks, 370 hydrants, and 585 water valves.
- b. **Street Superintendent's Report** – Koss said that the new employee, Greg Mayer started employment on January 5th. He is currently training on the garbage route.
- c. **Police Chief's Report** – Schauf introduced Ryan Labroschian, who was promoted from the afternoon sergeant ranks to lieutenant. Schauf said that drugs will continue to be a problem, heroin will continue to be a problem. He said that challenge with heroin is that a person can be addicted the first time they try it. He said that the DNR has said that the way the Department was getting rid of the drugs in the drug drop box was not acceptable anymore, they can only be taken to a certain type of burner, which doesn't exist in the State of Wisconsin and they wanted the City to truck all of them out of state and pay the expense to do so. He said that the Chiefs Association has been working with the AGs office to get the DNR to change some things and the last he heard is that the state law is going to change because they realize that the drugs being taken off the street is better than saddling municipal governments with disposal fees. He said that approximately 500 pounds of prescriptions drugs are collected every three months. He said that there were 33 search warrants done by the Sauk County Task Force in 2014, and 17 or 18 of them were in the City of Baraboo, so we were by far the most aggressive agency with that.
- d. **Fire Chief's Report** – Steve said that Captain Jeff Thompson passed away yesterday from cancer, his visitation is Tuesday from 4-8 at St. John's Lutheran Church, and funeral with Wednesday at 11:00 at the same church. He said he is working with the family for full fire service funeral based on their wishes. He said that three new people have been hired, two needed training which they started last evening. The cadet firefighter, who is Jeff's son, Jake Thompson is going to be going through the training also. He said that even though he is in high school volunteer program, they can still get him fully trained by the summer. He said there is another one that was offered employment is going through the medical exam process is already certified, he was on the Portage Fire Department for three years. He said that total numbers right now are at 44.

ADJOURNMENT – Plautz moved, Wedekind seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:39 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Phil Wedekind, Chairman

Exterior Design Options: Option - 5



Exterior Elevation _ North

No Scale

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The City of Baraboo, Wisconsin

Background: In January, the Water Utility solicited bids for a major rehab of the Mine Street Water Tower (next to the Baraboo Country Club). The bid includes sandblasting all the old paint (inside & out), complete some structural repairs that will a few new safety items, and repainting the tower (inside & out). The initial estimated cost for this project was \$265,000. We had six contractors bid the project and the base bids ranged from \$326,500 to \$604,300. We also included a couple of alternate bids for adding a mixing system to the tank. The low bid came in at \$326,500 with an additional \$22,000 for a horizontal mixing system for a grand total of \$348,500. Our consulting engineering firm, MSA, together with our staff, reviewed the bids and considered potential opportunities to reduce the scope of the project in an effort reduce the overall cost but concluded the low bid for the project as spec'd, including the mixing system, provides the proverbial "best bang for the buck". The existing paint was analyzed for lead content and the lead content is below the threshold that would require full containment during paint removal. However, considering this tower's location, the specs do required full containment around the tower during all sand blasting and subsequent painting operations, the cost for which was not considered in the original estimate. This project is expected to take roughly 8 weeks to complete and the specs require that it be done this construction season, as weather permits. The final schedule will be coordinated with the successful bidder.

The Utility has been in contact with the Country Club management about the project and will be discussing possible options for the exterior painting of the tower.

Although the bid amount exceeds the amount included in the 2015 budget, the Water Utility does have sufficient money in their O&M funds to cover the additional cost.

Both the Public Safety Committee and Finance Committee have reviewed this matter and recommended the Council's approval.

Fiscal Note: (one) [Not Required] [Budgeted Expenditure] [Not Budgeted]
Comments:

Resolved, by the Common Council of the City of Baraboo, Sauk County, Wisconsin:

To approve the Base Bid and Alternate A2 for the Rehabilitation of the Mine Street Water Tower in the amount of \$348,500 and award the contract to the lower bidder, L.C. Painting Company, Inc. from Sterling Heights, Michigan.

Offered by: Public Safety Committee **Approved:** _____

Motion:

Second:

Attest: _____



Sauk County Sheriff's Office

Sheriff Chip Meister

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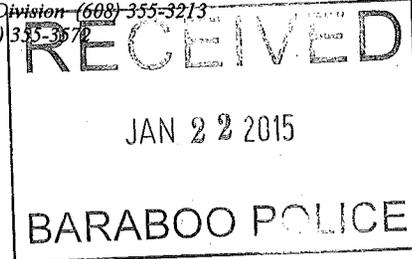
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Enclosed is the Joint Powers Agreement for the Sauk County 911 Emergency System. Is it the township, village and cities responsibility to be sure that the responding emergency services are currently up to date with the local and state law requirements for providing emergency services to the community. The Sauk County Sheriff's Department / 911 Communication Center is not liable for emergency services that is out of compliance with state and local requirements.

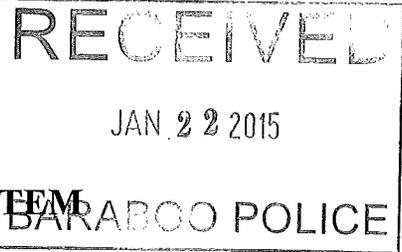
Please return signed agreement to:

Sauk County Law Enforcement Center
1300 Lange Court
Baraboo, WI. 53913
Attn: Dena Weinke

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dena Weinke".

Dena Weinke
Communication Supervisor



**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
SAUK COUNTY 911 EMERGENCY SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, **Sauk County** and the municipalities located within the boundaries of **Sauk County** have implemented an Emergency 911 System for the purposes of providing emergency services to residents and visitors of these municipalities, including firefighting, law enforcement and EMS and

WHEREAS, Sec. 256.35(9), Wis. Stats, "Joint Powers Agreement," requires that in implementing a 911 system as has been done in **Sauk County**, municipalities shall annually enter into a Joint Powers Agreement, which Agreement shall be applicable on a daily basis and which shall provide that if an emergency services vehicle is dispatched in response to a request throughout the **Sauk County 911 System**, such vehicle shall render its services to the persons needing the services, regardless of whether the vehicle is operating outside the vehicle's normal jurisdictional boundaries.

Therefore, in consideration of the mutual promise, agreements, and conditions contained herein, it is hereby jointly agreed between **Sauk County** and the **City of Baraboo**, as follows:

1. That effective January 1, 2015, this Agreement shall, thereafter, be applicable on a daily basis from said date through December 31, 2015.
2. That if an emergency services vehicle operated by the **City of Baraboo**, or operated by an **City of Baraboo** or by the agency) shall render its services to the persons needing the services, regardless of whether the vehicle is operating outside the vehicle's normal jurisdictional (or as defined by contract) boundaries.
3. That a copy of this Agreement shall be filed with the State Department of Justice, as required by Sec. 256.35 (9)(c), Wis, Stats.

SAUK COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT

By: 
(Richard Meister, Sheriff)

CITY OF BARABOO

By: _____
(Mayor)

Baraboo Fire Department Incident Response Time Report

Standards Referenced:

NFPA 1720 - Standard for the Organization and Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, Emergency Medical Operations and Special Operations to the Public by Volunteer Fire Departments - 2010 Edition

Specific Information:

Chapter 1 Administration

1.1* Scope. This standard contains minimum requirements relating to the organization and deployment of fire suppression operations, emergency medical operations, and special operations to the public by volunteer and combination fire departments.

4.3.2* Table 4.3.2 shall be used by the AHJ to determine staffing and response time objectives for structural fire fighting, based on a low-hazard occupancy such as a 2000 ft² (186 m²), two-story, single-family home without basement and exposures and the percentage accomplishment of those objectives for reporting purposes as required in 4.4.2.

A.4.3.2 Table 4.3.2 outlines demographic areas, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau; staffing and deployment requirements; and fractal measurements. The suburban area is based on the requirements provided in the report by the Ontario Fire Marshal's Office, *Shaping the Future of Fire Ground Staffing and Delivery Systems within a Comprehensive Fire Safety Effectiveness Model*, a report referenced in NFPA 1710, as well. This requirement must be met 80 percent of the time. Rural areas have a lower population density and require six people (two in/two out plus the incident commander and pump operator), a requirement that is derived from the country-UK standards of fire cover and must be met 80 percent of the time. The remote areas reference the OSHA "two in/two out" requirement and the assembly of four persons 90 percent of the time. Travel distances are varied and can be computed utilizing the ISO travel formula. This travel formula is as follows: $1.7 \times \text{distance} + 0.65 = \text{travel time}$ For evaluation of response time objectives based on Table 4.3.2, the fire department needs to record the number of members on the scene at the end of the response time given in the table for each incident. For example, in an urban area, the fire department would record the number of members on scene 9 minutes after the completion of the dispatch notification. They would then determine how many times they had at least 15 members on scene within that 9-minute time interval and calculate a percentage based on the total calls in urban areas. To meet the objective defined in this standard for an urban area, they would need to assemble at least 15 members within 9 minutes for 90 percent of the incidents.

Demand Zone*	Demographics	Minimum Staff to Respond**	Response Time (Minutes) ***	Meets Objective (%)
Urban Area	>1000 people/sq. mile	15	9	90
Suburban Area	500-1000 people/sq. mile	10	10	80
Rural Area	<500 people/sq. mile	6	14	80
Remote Area	Travel Distance \geq 8 miles	4	Directly dependent on travel distance	90
Special Risks	Determined by AHJ	Determined by AHJ	Determined by AHJ	90

*A jurisdiction can have more than one demand zone

** Minimum staffing includes members responding from the AHJs department and automatic aid

*** Response time begins upon completion of the dispatch notification and ends at the time interval shown in the table

Apparatus with Computers for Time Tracking and Capabilities

Engine 2 is the first due to respond Engine and carries 6 personnel

Ladder 1 is second due to respond on structure fire calls in the City and Village and carries 6 personnel

Engine 3 is the second due on rural structure fires and third due to respond on City and Village structure fire calls and carries 6 personnel.

Response Times – January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014

Municipality	Demographics	Number of Responses	Staff Response	Meets Objective (%)
City of Baraboo	>1000 people/sq. mile	7	15	14%
Village of West Baraboo	500-1000 people/sq. mile	0	-	-
Town of Baraboo	<500 people/sq. mile	2	6+	100%
Town of Fairfield	<500 people/sq. mile	0	-	-
Town of Greenfield	<500 people/sq. mile	0	-	-

**Baraboo Police Department
Monthly Activity Report
December 2014**

Calls for Service	Current Month	Current Year to Date	Prior Year to Date	Change	Percentage Change
Burglaries	1	36	47	-11	-23.40%
Thefts	50	464	438	26	5.94%
Criminal Damage	6	84	93	-9	-9.68%
Assist other agencies	71	838	879	-41	-4.66%
Assists - West Baraboo	3	45	45	0	0.00%
Animal Complaints	17	275	318	-43	-13.52%
Total of all Calls	656	9,877	9,638	239	2.48%

Traffic Crashes

Total Traffic Crashes	15	278	314	-36	-11.46%
Persons Killed	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Persons Injured	6	53	57	-4	-7.02%
Pedestrians Injured	0	0	0	0	0.00%

Enforcement Activity

Adult Notices of Appearance	85	1059	1,087	-28	-2.58%
Drug Charges	6	198	163	35	21.47%
Traffic Citations	262	6865	6,418	447	6.96%
OWI Arrests	2	139	125	14	11.20%
Seatbelt Violations	8	580	765	-185	-24.18%
Traffic Warnings	140	3113	2,884	229	7.94%
Juvenile Offenses	29	402	436	-34	-7.80%
Curfew Violations	2	34	20	14	70.00%
Underage Alcohol Citations	5	83	78	5	6.41%
Parking Citations	525	2,525	3,007	-482	-16.03%

Fines and Fees

Court Fines	\$3,488.31	\$51,792.46	\$52,687.91	-\$895.45	-1.70%
Parking Fines	\$7,019.05	\$36,878.11	\$41,230.63	-\$4,352.52	-10.56%
Police Department Fees	\$81.85	\$788.66	\$1,137.21	-\$348.55	-30.65%



POLICE LINE

The Baraboo Police Department Newsletter

January 2014

From the Chief

The New Year will bring new challenges and opportunities to us in Baraboo. In reflecting on 2013, we had some significant cases and events that have impacted our police department and the community. We investigated over 9600 calls for service, which included two bank robberies and numerous drug investigation search warrants.

As we work through 2014, we at the department are committed to fight the drug issue as it continues to remain a problem. The drug use itself is causing overdoses, but the corollary crimes impact the entire community as drug addicts try to fund their addictions.

Goals we are setting as an agency for 2014 include:

- Increase in traffic enforcement with a focus on reduction of traffic crashes.
- Directed effort in the area of drug enforcement/ Heroin, to include increased education and enforcement to reduce the impact on our community.
- Increased presence at schools, Boys and Girls club and other places where we can have positive interactions with the public and specifically children.

Anniversaries

January has the anniversaries of Admin Assistant Linda Wiese, 27 years, Officer Mike Pichler, 11 years and Sgt. Jordan Gilbert 7 years. In December, Detective Jeremy Drexler celebrated 12 years and Officer Eric Oakeson celebrated his first year of service.

It's The Law

In a season like we have seen this year with a lot of small snow events, it is easy to not clear the snow and ice from our vehicles. Whether we are in a hurry or forgot the brush, we just don't remove the snow and ice from our windshield and windows properly. Wisconsin Statute 346.88(4) requires: *The windshield, side wings and side and rear windows of a motor vehicle shall be kept reasonably clean at all times.*

This statute is a safety issue. Failure to properly clear the ice and snow causes reduced visibility while driving and can often be a contributing factor in a traffic crash. Please take a moment to be sure that not only can you see around the entire vehicle, but be seen while driving in the snow.

Be Safe in the Cold

The weather this winter has been 20 plus years in the making. The first week of this month showed temps as low as they have been in 20 years. This causes problems for all of us and a lot of safety concerns.



As we struggle to stay warm, we have to remember safety first. Use extreme caution when using portable heaters of any kind and be aware that CO kills. Every year, people across WI are injured or killed by the silent killer. Any fossil fuel burning appliance puts off this silent killer and should only be used in ventilated areas.

Additionally, electric heaters can easily be knocked over by pets and children and are significant fire and burn hazards. Any time you are looking to supplement the heat in any location, be sure to consider what could happen if left unattended.