

**TOWN OF ARNAUDVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 27, 2018**

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

As the Council has been informed in the past, each Patrol Officer must complete twenty (20) hours of in-service training during a calendar year to maintain their POST certification. Although some training is provided by the POST Council online, most of the training is done outside our Department either in classrooms or in the field.

With the Etouffee Festival just two (2) months away the Department has been reviewing how well the movement of vehicles proceeded when a "One Way" circle for traffic was implemented around the cemetery and festival area. Unless we receive negative feedback, our intentions are to replicate what we did last year.

I petition the Council to accept Patrol Officer Amber Arnaud being placed on unpaid Administrative Leave effective January 31, 2018.

Newly hired Patrol Officer John Billiot resigned from the Arnaudville Police Department effective Saturday, February 10, 2018. I petition the Council to confirm his resignation. We wish the best for Mr. Billiot.

One (1) of our Dispatchers has requested the opportunity to attend the Police Academy. Since the resignation of John Billiot I will be conducting a search to fill the position that he vacated as well as one that opened up with the unpaid annual leave of Patrol Officer Arnaud. Further, I will also be taking applications to fill the Dispatcher position that will be vacated when Dispatcher Kirsten McBay is transferred to a Patrol Officer's position.

On Saturday and Sunday, March 17 and 18, 2018, firearm training and qualification will be conducted by Leonville Chief Noel for the Department's two (2) provisional Patrol Officers. It is critical that we address the Department's manpower needs as quickly as possible since we are currently operating at two thirds of our strength.

Another Neighborhood Watch meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at the Civic Center. Everyone is invited who live in the 70512 zip code.

Statistics from our Department for the month of January were: 65 Citations issued, 47 FIC's written, 89 MIC's written, 10 arrests, and 205 calls for service, while 47% of time worked by the Officers was spent on patrol of our town.

It is now my honor to name the "Employee of the Month" for the Department. It is my pleasure to give the award for this month's Employee of the Month, Patrol Officer George Higgins.

This concludes the Arnaudville Police Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Eddy J. LeCompte, Chief of Police