

**TOWN OF ARNAUDVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18, 2018**

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Patrol Officer Kirsten McBay continues her training at the POST Academy being held at the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's training facility. She is currently scheduled to graduate on Friday, November 16, 2018.

I am currently in the process of reviewing the steps necessary to start up Volunteer Positions within the Department. What is currently known is that any Volunteer who wishes to pursue a Reserve Officer position would have to pass the Police Psychological Exam in order for them to be properly insured during their time on duty and they would also have to go through the firearms course in order for them to be armed. In addition they would also have to pass a physical and drug screen. Volunteers for a Reserve Officer position would have to perform at least twenty-four (24) hours of volunteer work per month with no compensation (those hours could be worked in any increments during the month).

On Thursday, September 27, 2018, we will be hosting a Neighborhood Watch meeting. Currently we have two (2) or three (3) speakers set up to give short speeches. There will be time for some questions to be asked by those in attendance. Everyone is invited to participate to share ideas and information. It is important to know that the community is the eyes and ears in assisting our Department in curtailing crime in our Town. Also, all information received is held in confidence and identities of reporting persons are confidential.

I petition the Council to approve the hiring of Mr. Joshua Ross from the position of interim to permanent Patrol Officer effective immediately at a pay rate of \$9.93 per hour. Patrol Officer Ross has extensive training in the United States Army as a Military Policemen including criminal investigation. It is our intention to have Patrol Officer Ross eligible for the POST Academy in St. Martin in January 2019.

Statistics from our Department for the month of August were: 28 Citations issued, 25 FIC's written, 35 MIC's written, 8 arrests, and 125 calls for service, while approximately 45% of time worked by the Officers was spent on routine patrol of our Town.

Finally, it is my honor to name the "Employee of the Month" for the Department. It is my honor to name Clerk/Dispatcher Ida Lalonde as the recipient of this month's recognition.

This concludes the Arnaudville Police Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Eddy J. LeCompte, Chief of Police