

**TOWN OF ARNAUVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 18, 2017**

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

We are near the start of the Etouffee Festival on Friday, April 28, 2016. I will be present, as well as three (3) Arnaudville Police Officers, four (4) St. Landry Parish Sheriff's Deputies and four (4) St. Martin Parish Deputies. Special permission will be granted to those who wish to use their golf carts to travel from their residence to the festival grounds. Anyone interested in using their golf cart should come to the Police Station and fill out a form which they will be required to have on the cart while it is in use. Failure to have a form submitted into our office will result in a citation issued.

Signs have been made to designate Front Street from Tiger Touchdown #6 at Main Street and Guidroz Street all the way to the corner of Front Street and Union Street as well as Olive Street from Pine Street to Guidroz Street as "ONE WAY". These portable signs will be put up during the hours of operation of the Festival, probably one half (1/2) hour prior to the opening and after the close. The signs will then be moved to the side of the road and out of the way at all other times.

There will be a Drug Take Back program sponsored by the DEA occurring on April 22nd. Thrifty Way Pharmacy will act as the drop off point. Fliers have been posted at local businesses. Everyone is encouraged to bring unused or outdated prescription medication to the Pharmacy between the hours of 8am until 11am. Once completed the boxes will then be sealed and transported to the Police Department for later pickup and disposal by DEA.

On the 13th of this month we had a Neighborhood Watch meeting. Approximately 25 people were in attendance. Our special guest speaker was the District Attorney for St. Landry Parish, Mr. Earl Taylor. One of Mr. Taylor's topics was some changes in the law regarding incarceration which will be coming up this legislative session.

I am in the process of completing the employee evaluations. All will be completed and discussed with the employees before the next Council meeting.

Mr. Grant Durio, our newest Dispatcher, is scheduled to begin attending the St. Martin Parish POST Academy beginning May 1st. During his 10 to 12 week absence, Part-Time Dispatcher, Ms. Dianna Richard will assume his responsibility.

I petition the Council to approve the promotion of Dispatcher Amber Arnaud to the position of Patrol Officer 1 at a pay rate of \$9.42 per hour, plus state pay.

Patrol Officer Jason Howell has informed me that he plans on resigning shortly. He will be giving me a resignation letter and two week notice when he has firmed up the date with his new employer.

Statistics from our Department for the month of March were: 42 Citations issued, 31 FIC's written, 52 MIC's written, 0 arrests, and 145 calls for service, while approximately 60% of time worked by the Officers was spent on routine patrol of our town.

It is now my honor to name the "Employee of the Month" for the Department. It is an honor and privilege to give the March award to Patrol Officer Anna White.

This concludes the Arnaudville Police Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Eddy J. LeCompte, Chief of Police