TOWN OF ARNAUDVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2018

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

By the time of our next Council Meeting, Patrol Officer Kirsten McBay will have graduated from the St. Martin Police Academy. The date of her graduation is slated for November 15, 2017.

I petition the Council to accept the resignation of Patrol Officer Dylan Scott-Ford effective September 28, 2018.

During the past few weeks we conducted interviews of prospective employees to fill the vacancy that we have in our Patrol Department. Since our advertising for a Patrol Officer position we have had approximately twelve applications to fill the positions available. We are awaiting the necessary paper work before we can make an offer to those best qualified. Once a decision has been made on the best candidates the Council will be advised for their approval. Please note that any new hire will have to undergo proper training before we will put them out on their own. For the first six (6) months each newly hired Patrol Officer will be reviewed for their performance and then a determination will be made on their continued employment.

It is the intent of our Department to once again make the streets of Quebedeaux, Swamp and Washington one way on Halloween night, Wednesday, October 31, 2018. Some of the residents on these streets were asked how this worked last year and all responded positively. Attached to your reports is a drawing detailing how the flow of traffic will be handled. This minor inconvenience will only last for approximately two and one half hours (2 1/2) from 5:30pm until 8:00pm after which normal traffic flow will then resume.

A Neighborhood Watch meeting was held on Thursday, September 27, 2018. We had a number of speakers there, including Sheriff Bobby Guidroz, to discuss how everyone in the community can assist our Department in curtailing crime. It was once again passed on to everyone present that all information received will be held in stick confidence and that identities of reporting persons are confidential.

Statistics from our Department for the month of September were: 9 Citations issued, 25 FIC's written, 27 MIC's written, 9 Arrests made, and 105 calls for service. Routine town patrols accounted for 48% of the time our Officers spent on duty.

Finally, it is my honor to name the "Employee of the Month" for the Department. For the month September 2018 the employee is Patrol Officer Joshua Ross. Due to his knowledge and experience as a Military Police Officer and Criminal Investigator while in the United States Army he has made suggestions on how to improve our Department.

This concludes the Arnaudville Police Report.

Respectfully submitted,

Eddy J. LeCompte, Chief of Police