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December (partial)/January/February Report to Selectmen

- Staff completed training in topics to include “the 3x2’s” (De-escalation, Ethics, and Implicit Bias), firearms classroom, defensive tactics, Taser, medical response, training related to the implementation of a drone program, and K9 training.
- After almost 8 years of service, Thursday January 23rd was Chief’s Secretary Judith Reinhold’s last day with the Seabrook PD. On top of her numerous administrative duties, Judy’s love of and devotion to the Seabrook community was often on display as she coordinated and spearheaded numerous community events for us over the years. Events including National Night Out, Trunk-or-Treat, Coffee with a Cop, decorating the police department tree at the festival of trees, and more were successful thanks to Judy’s passion for connecting with the community. A familiar and helpful voice on the phone and a great ambassador for the agency, we miss Judy but wish her happiness and health as she continues her service to the Town in her new role.
- Saturday December 14th was the 10th Annual Seabrook Police Stuff-A-Cruiser. This annual event was originally organized by Detective Keith Dietenhofer to help members of our community. Det. Dietenhofer and his family generously volunteer their time each year to make sure that we are able to provide assistance to those in need. Thanks to the generosity of community members, we were able to raise almost \$4,000 in 2024 to provide gift cards PLUS non-perishables and toys to the Seabrook Welfare Department, the Seabrook Church of Christ, the Seabrook Community Table, and the Brook of Hope Church! This was \$1,000 more than 2023!
- January 9th was National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. We always appreciate kind words in the performance of our duties and are grateful for the continued support from our community throughout the year.
- In January we hosted Coffee with a Cop at Red’s Kitchen and Tavern located at 530 Lafayette Road. They were great hosts and we appreciate their support in our community events.
- February 15th was National School Resource Officer Appreciation Day. We recognize the important role Detective Keith Dietenhofer plays in providing education to students as well as building a relationship between the students and the police.
- Also in February, Det. Dietenhofer, Ofc. Jim Deshaies, and Chief Walker attended a Q&A for parents regarding ALICE Training (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate) in the schools. Det. Dietenhofer and Ofc. Deshaies (who was the SRO for approximately 25 years) are both ALICE

instructors and presented an overview of the program and answered questions from parents. This important training can raise questions from both parents and students so this was a great forum to discuss the training and ease any fears that may exist.

- We also congratulate Dr. Katie Godshall from the UNH College of Health and Human Services, Social Work Department for making the [NH Union Leader's 2025 "40 under 40"](#). Dr. Godshall's work with the Seabrook PD has been invaluable in helping us secure a grant for almost \$1 million through the Opioid Abatement Trust Fund and in getting our ACERT (Adverse Childhood Experiences Response Team) program off the ground. This is an amazing accomplishment and we are fortunate to be able to continue our relationship with Dr. Godshall.
- We are currently fully staffed for police dispatchers.
- [We are currently hiring one \(1\) full-time police officer](#). We currently have 29 of 30 positions filled.

Regular activities

- Attended meetings for SERT, the budgetary process for 2025, and addressed numerous administrative items to include exploring better options for some of the tools/software we currently use.

Drug Overdose Statistics YTD through December 11, 2024 are as follows:

2025 YTD OVERDOSES – 4	2024 YTD OVERDOSES – 1
2025 YTD OVERDOSE DEATHS – 3	2024 YTD OVERDOSE DEATHS – 0

Total calls for service since last Board meeting submission: 2,161
There were 11,818 total calls for service in 2024.

As of 0730 on 12/11/2024: 11,257
As of 0730 on 02/26/2025: 1,600

Opioid Abatement Grant Update

No money has been spent in relation to this grant.

Questions to address with the Board:

1. Question of approving the creation of the ACERT/Victim-Witness Advocate position to be funded with existing grant money or other means outside the budget.
2. Question of converting an existing patrol position to a patrol sergeant.
3. Question of exploring parking with companies such as ParkMobile (they have offered to attend a Board meeting, likely a virtual meeting).

We continue to use our social media accounts on [Facebook](#), [X](#), and [Instagram](#) (@SeabrookNHPD) to connect with the public. This has proved to be an effective means of providing information to and interacting with the public. The Seabrookpd.com website also has a Facebook feed at the bottom for people who do not utilize social media.

Respectfully submitted,

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