

West Manchester Township

Police Department



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Police Chief's Report for November 2023

November 9th, 2023

Dear Board of Supervisors, Manager and staff,

For the month of October, the officers handled 517 incidents as well as 89 vehicle crashes. Officers conducted over 259 traffic stops and issued 95 traffic citations. The department made 8 felony arrests, 24 misdemeanor arrests, 29 summary non-traffic arrests and 4 juvenile petitions were filed.

Part of our budget was to acquire new tasers for the officers. Unfortunately, the company Axon who produces the Taser product has discontinued the model we use, the taser2. The taser is a less lethal tool that our officers carry and utilize and it's something that I value as part of our equipment. The taser is a significantly effective tool in lowering the use of deadly force and injuries. The newest product by Axon is the Taser 10. The product is state of the art and when the tasers arrive, I will have one of the trainers do a demonstration for the board to view the product.

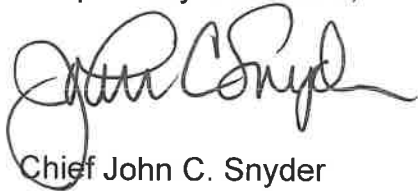
I have been talking a lot about the issue in the township with human trafficking. I have a good idea of the number of establishments in the township and we are going to try to address the problem head on. The new ordinance that we are working on will be a great tool to establish that we are serious about the problem, and this will enable our staff to address these problems before they get out of hand. Lisa's Spa was a big problem and hopefully that company and the owner will not be looking to try that here anytime soon.

Each year our officers train in use of force and handcuffing techniques. This is a newer program and we have officers trained to instruct this to the other officers. We do this every year and I feel it's been a great thing for the officers. The techniques and skills are very helpful for the officers in the street. Just as they train with firearms, tasers, and other tools we have they also need this training to do their job properly.

Training:

10/10	Ofc. Johnson	EVOC
10/11-12	Ofc. Woody	ILEE Enforcement of the Inspection Code
10/25-26	Ofc. Rush	Taser Instructor
10/25-26	Ofc. Staley	Taser Instructor

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chief John C. Snyder

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 West Manchester Township Statistics
 October 2023

	Quantity
Part I & II Offenses	121
Incidents (excluding crashes)	396
TOTAL	517
Felony Arrests	8
Misdemeanor Arrests	24
Juvenile Arrests	4
Summary Arrests	29
Traffic Citations	95
Warning / PT-10's	164
Parking Tickets	0
Reportable Crashes	31
Non-Reportable Crashes	58
TOTAL CRASHES	89
Injury Crashes	16
Total Injuries	24

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CI Division Report for November 2023 Board Meeting

10/19/2023 through 11/3/2023

Since October 19, 2023, WMTPD Criminal Investigations has taken on 10 new case assignments: 5 Referrals for alleged physical or sexual abuse of children, a sexual assault case involving an adult victim, 3 commercial burglaries, and an investigation into the possession or distribution of child pornography.

During the same time frame, our office has formally closed out 6 investigations: a child sexual assault, 4 allegations of physical child abuse, and the domestic related trespass and assault case listed in last month's report.

As a final note, it is again worth pointing out that all of the above continues to be done with the CI Division operating at 75% strength, as one of our Detectives has been assigned full time to the accreditation process since February and is no longer handling an active case load.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "S. J. Conway".

Det Sgt Sean J. Conway