



# **WEST ST. PAUL POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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TO: Mayor O'Leary and Council Members

FROM: Chief Brian Sturgeon

SUBJECT: Calls for Service – October 2025 and Public Safety Report

Below is a summary of the Calls for Service from December 1 – December 31, 2025.

## **Motorist Assist**

- A driver was having a problem with their battery. They did not require any assistance.
- Reporter's vehicle went into a ditch. Officer responded and found two vehicles in the ditch. Tow company arrived and pulled the vehicles out.

## **Suspicious Activity**

- A realtor for a property noted a truck on the property that the homeowner does not own and does not know who it belongs to. The truck was found to belong to a plow driver. The owner of the truck reported they would be there soon to retrieve the vehicle.
- There was a car reported to be parked at the end of the homeowner's driveway that had just turned off their lights. The officer spoke to the vehicle owner and was advised she is currently salting the paths for a frisbee golf league. She had a shovel and salt in her possession.
- Officer located a vehicle that was parked out on a street across from a residence. There was nothing illegal, and the officer just documented the plate.
- A strange car with all blacked out windows was reported to be parked at the end of Charlton Road. As the officer was coming into area it was passed along that the vehicle had left the area. Confirmed the vehicle was no longer in the area.

## **Traffic Stop**

- MH - A driver was stopped and warned regarding the "move over" law and expired driver's license.
- WS - A driver was warned for driving with no lights.
- WS – A driver warned for failure stop at a stop sign and no proof of insurance.
- WS – A driver was warned for taillight and expired registration
- WS – A driver was warned for an obstructed plate and expired registration.
- MH – A driver was warned for an inoperable headlight.

## **Alarm**

- An alarm was reported and officer found a contractor was waiting in their car who believed the alarm was to be shut off. The officer called and left a message for the homeowner.
- A call received as a burglar alarm was found to be a temperature sensor. The alarm company contacted the homeowner. The alarm call was cancelled.
- An alarm was received covering the garage door. The garage door was found open but there were no signs of forced entry or fresh footprints in the snow. The officer closed the garage door and was able to speak with the homeowners and update them on what had happened.

## **Parking Violation**

- A tree care trailer was parked on the side of a street on a blind curve which was causing concern. An employee was spoken to by the officer and agreed to move the vehicle.

- A van that seemed out of place was parked in a cul de sac was reported to officers. The officers found that the vehicle in question listed to the address where it was parked.

**Extra Patrol**

- There were 19 cases of documented extra patrol in Sunfish Lake during December.

**Fire Call**

- A power or phone line was reported to be leaning on some branches for the past couple of days. The fire department determined that it was either a comcast or century link wire and advised dispatch. Found to be nothing that the police department or fire department can service.

**Fire Alarm**

- Officers received a call for a smoke detector alarm. The exact area in the home is unknown. The alarm was determined to be caused by burnt food. The Fire Department cleared officers and closed their incident.

**Accident/No Injury**

- A vehicle slid off the road. The driver had called friends to pull their vehicle back onto the road. They were advised if they need any help to call dispatch. There were no injuries and there was no tow truck requested.

**Medical**

- Officers responded and assisted medics with a female that had fallen.

Respectfully,



Chief Brian Sturgeon

# 2025 ALARM CALLS

|           | Current | 2025 YTD | 2024 YTD |
|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| January   | 3       | 3        | 1        |
| February  | 5       | 8        | 6        |
| March     | 5       | 13       | 9        |
| April     | 3       | 16       | 9        |
| May       | 6       | 22       | 11       |
| June      | 6       | 28       | 15       |
| July      | 5       | 33       | 19       |
| August    | 3       | 36       | 21       |
| September | 6       | 42       | 24       |
| October   | 1       | 43       | 27       |
| November  | 2       | 45       | 47       |
| December  | 3       | 48       | 54       |

*Numbers indicate burglar alarms received regardless if a cancellation was received prior to officer arrival.*

January 12, 2026