

SOUTH BETHANY POLICE DEPARTMENT



Chief of Police Monthly Report for July 2023

We have deployed the newly acquired VMS message board on Costal highway. It is currently programed to caution motorists of pedestrian crossing and will flash red / blue lights with a message of "slow down" when it detects a vehicle approaching above the posted speed limit.

The two new police vehicles that were purchased in May 2023 are now in patrol use. There is a national supply shortage on emergency lighting equipment which lead to a delay in the required upfitting of the vehicles. The two vehicles are currently unmarked (no police decals on the exterior) however, the decals have been ordered and will be applied as soon as possible.

Total Call for Police Services – 50

Animal Complaint: 1
Residence/Business Checks: 4
1 Burglary Alarm (false): 4
Criminal Mischief/Trespass: 2
Assist other agencies: 15
Bethany Beach – 4, Ocean View – 2, Fenwick – 4, State Police – 4, Bethany Fire - 2
Disabled Vehicle: 1
Domestic Disputes: 2
Local Fugitive: 2
Noise complaints: 8
Public Assist: 1
Suspicious Person: 1
Theft: 2
Traffic Collisions: 3
Traffic Other: 5

Total Traffic tickets Issued: 153

Speeding: 74

Equipment Violations: 3

Registration/Insurance Violations: 18

Moving Violations: 29 (20 Black Gum, 1 Evergreen)

Suspended / Revoked Driver License: 5

Cell Phone: 24

Parking tickets issued: 84

Traffic Violation Warnings Issued: 25