



Council Update – Chief of Police

May 23, 2023

Event – The "Super Saturday" event for scouts is FULL!! Officer Vermaaten is currently working on an additional event to be held in October. Approximately 10 scouts have already signed the waiting list.

Super Saturdays are used by Scouts BSA to help scouts either earn several merit badges in one day or get close to completion. This is the only other time in scouting besides summer camps to earn multiple merit badges at one time.

The scouts are required to earn 21 merit badges to earn the rank of Eagle Scout. 14 Required and 7 are elective.

Our Super Saturday program will provide the opportunity to earn 4 electives all based around Law Enforcement and Safety.

Our first Super Saturday event was opened for enrollment on May 1st, Simon Kenton Council started handing out flyers at district round tables on May 11th, and our event was at maximum number by 0930am on May 13th. We have 30 scouts from 14 troops around Simon Kenton Council attending.

This event is a great way to encourage communication between our young people and Law Enforcement. The event will let them learn about Criminal Justice and ask questions they may have.

Officer Vermaaten has been involved in Scouting since 1983, and he started in the Cubs. He worked through scouting to earn his Eagle at 16, and has been an adult leader with three troops and One Cub Scout Pack. He is currently a leader with his son's troop.

Plan Updates – The City's 2023 Hazard Mitigation plan has been updated. The city's updated Hazard Ranking Review is attached.

The Community Preparedness and Response Program was submitted for grant funding (\$74,238.00) through the State's Homeland Security grant.

Internships – The department will have two students fulfilling internships over the summer beginning in June. The interns will primarily assist the Detective Bureau with administrative tasks.

Detective Bureau – The detective bureau has been busy with their own cases along with scheduling our prospective candidates polygraph interviews. They also assisted the field training program in scenario day training for Officer. Iorio.

Detective Byrd completed a subpoena for account records for 5/3 bank. He also interviewed four suspects from different cases and transcribed the interviews. Detective Byrd and Detective Briley assisted in arresting a thief suspect from Giant Eagle. They both attended different training classes on legal updates.

Detective Briley recovered several suspected stolen credit cards from a suspect and is trying to track down the rightful owners. He also submitted evidence to the lab for DNA and drug analysis. He is following up with an individual who keeps making vague threats through social media.

Statistics:

Start Date	End Date	Calls for Service	Business Check	Total	Incident & Offense Reports	Arrest Reports	Crash Reports	Total	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Burglary/ B&E	Robbery
1/1/2023	5/17/2023	6652	1030	7,682	300	130	81	511	73	19	26	1
1/1/2022	5/17/2022	4687	0	4,687	326	147	57	530	74	8	17	0
5/18/2022	5/17/2023	15257	1586	16,843	955	367	212	1,534	241	76	68	11
5/18/2021	5/17/2022	12739	5	12,744	1,018	455	214	1,687	302	28	69	4