

Village of Melrose Police Department Yearly Report

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This report does not include activity handled by the Jackson County Sheriff's Department when the Village Police are not on duty.

2011 Annual Report

Time Break Down this Year

Patrol:	543.75
Paperwork:	57.75
Investigations:	38.50
Training:	1.50
Court:	0.00
Other:	31.00

Total Time this Year: 672.50

Miles patrolled this Year: 3388 miles

Activities this Year: 225 Total

99	Traffic Warnings	7	Accidents
25	Ordinance Warnings	10	Traffic Related Activities
14	Assist Citizens	7	Assist Other Agencies
10	Suspicious Circumstances	0	Unsecured/Open Buildings
2	Fire/Rescue Assists	21	Winter Parking Warnings
9	Battery/Disorderly	5	Property Related Crimes
4	Background/Bartender Checks	2	Miscellaneous
1	Extra Attention Requests	9	Animal Related

Arrests/Citations this Year: 28 Total

2	Seatbelt Violations	1	Open Intoxicants/vehicle
0	Curfew Violations	0	Battery/Disorderly Conduct
6	Driver's License Violations	0	Underage Drinking
5	Insurance Traffic	5	Animal Violations
4	Speeding Violations	3	Warrant/Court Order Arrests
2	Vehicle Registration related	0	Drug/Paraphernalia
0	Failure/Improper Stop at Sign	0	Operate while Intoxicated

Parking Violations: 15 Total

Noteworthy activities of the police department in 2011

February – Matthew Amidon was promoted from Reserve Officer to a regular Part-time Officer. He replaced Officer Arnold who resigned in September of 2010.

July – The village received the check reimbursing the Police Computer that was acquired under a State Grant in the amount of \$1,758.00.

November – Sgt. Gray received a new PBT from the State valued at \$500. Since the department already has a new PBT we offered the unit to the Sheriff's Department in exchange for training and ammo.

Current Officers

Chief Cal Smokowicz – 631

Cal has worked part-time for the Village as the “Marshal’s Office” Chief since June 1998. Prior to this Cal was a Jackson County Patrol Lieutenant (Supervisor) on nights until September 2006, when he was assigned as the Lieutenant in charge of investigations. On January 2008, he was promoted to the rank of Captain, overseeing the entire patrol division. In June of 2009 Cal accepted a Full-time Police Chief Position for the Village of Lake Hallie, in Chippewa County. Cal has worked for State, County and Municipal Law Enforcement agencies since July 1982. Cal’s wife is Michelle and they have three grown children. He has a Bachelors degree in Criminal Justice Administration.

Officer Jacob Jones – 635

Jacob has worked as a part-time Officer for the Village of Melrose since May 2004. He was promoted to Corporal on April 1, 2009. Jacob graduated from Western Wisconsin Technical College in May 2005 with an Associates Degree in Criminal Justice/Police Science. He was hired in September 2005 by the Jackson County Sheriff’s Department in which he worked as a part-time Deputy until March 2006. In March 2006, Jacob was hired full-time by the City of Tomah, where he currently works as a Patrol Officer. While with the City of Tomah, Jacob has had advance training in narcotics enforcement, patrol tactics and is also a member of the Monroe County Combined Tactical Unit. He has also attended the University of Wisconsin La-Crosse and has worked towards an Accounting Degree.

Officer Matthew Amidon – 636

Matthew Amidon has been employed by the Village of Melrose as a Reserve Officer since May 2008. Matt was raised in the Melrose area and attended the local schools. In May 2006 Matt earned an Associate Degree in Police Science from Western Wisconsin Technical College. Matthew Amidon was promoted from Reserve Officer to a regular Part-time Officer in February 2011.

Officer Nicholas Gray – 637

Nick was hired in April 2006 part-time as a Patrol Officer for the Village of Melrose. He was promoted to Sergeant on April 1, 2009. Nick is also currently serving as a full-time Deputy Sheriff for Jackson County and has been since 2003. He has been part of many special units in Law Enforcement such as: Drug Abuse Resistance Education, Emergency Response Team, Snowmobile/ATV Instructor, and Boat Patrol. Nick graduated from Chippewa Valley Technical College in Eau Claire with an Associates Degree. He has also worked for the Village of Fairchild as a part-time Officer from 2004 to 2005.

Officer Andrew Haldeman – 638

Andrew Haldeman was first employed by the Village of Melrose as a Reserve Officer in July 2006. He was promoted to a regular Police Officer position in the Village as of June 2007. Andrew also is employed as a full-time communication/correctional Officer for Jackson County Sheriff’s Department. Andrew has an Associate Degree in Police Science from Western Wisconsin Technical College.