

McCandless Police Department

Memorandum

Date: March 9, 2020

To: Town Council

From: Ryan P. Hawk, Chief of Police

RE: Police Activity Report – February 2020

During the month of February, we sent one officer to a Glock Armorers School, which will enable the officer to repair the handguns that the majority of our officers carry. One of our officers, who is assigned to the North Hills Special Response Team (SRT), attended Advanced Negotiator training, which is beneficial to both his duties with the SRT Team in addition to enhancing his communication skills as a patrol officer. One officer attended Field Training Officer Certification School and will assist us greatly when new hires need to be trained during their three month probation period. Two officers completed training in identifying and investigating child abuse cases. Several officers also completed their Mandatory In-Service Training at the Allegheny County Police Academy.

Officers can only be as good as their resources and their best resource is communication. Investigators in the North Hills area have brought back their bimonthly meetings to exchange information among neighboring communities. Even though there are various ways in which we share law enforcement information electronically, the face-to-face interaction has always been the greatest resource for networking and sharing information.

In addition to local police sharing information, the Federal Bureau of Investigation Pittsburgh Field Office has implemented bimonthly conferences offered to investigators on current hot topics in law enforcement. Detective Bock attended this conference and was provided with invaluable information as well as an opportunity to network with other investigatory agencies.

With the current publicity surrounding the Coronavirus, officers have been reminded to take extra precautions. Surgical masks, hand sanitizer, rubber gloves and eye protection have been provided to all officers as well as up to date safety guidelines have been conveyed.