



The City of Powell Police Department

February 2021 Activity Report

Stephen L. Hrytzik
Chief of Police



STATISTICS

	Current Month	Last Month	Last Year	5 Years Ago
Calls for Service	1,849	1,815	1,899	1,269
Dispatched Calls	417	336	397	325
Police Reports	88	57	91	117
Adult Arrests	8	3	15	4
Juvenile Arrests	0	0	3	0
Traffic Stops	138	152	184	76
Traffic Citations	9	9	27	17
Traffic Crashes	7	11	15	14
False Alarms	30	20	18	34
House Watches	21	22	49	53
Preventative Patrols	161	160	195	71
Stacked Calls	11	13	22	23

Note: 2020-2021 statistics were affected by our modified COVID-19 response protocol.

NOTABLE CASES

Fraudulent Unemployment Claims | We now have **70** cases of fraudulent unemployment claims under investigation in cooperation with DJFS.



Fight | A resident of the Lakes of Powell neighborhood flagged down an officer to report a dispute in a parking lot. The argument was strictly verbal, but one subject was charged with drug possession, and the other was charged with drug possession and a weapons violation. Both were released at the scene with summons. ♦

NATURE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE

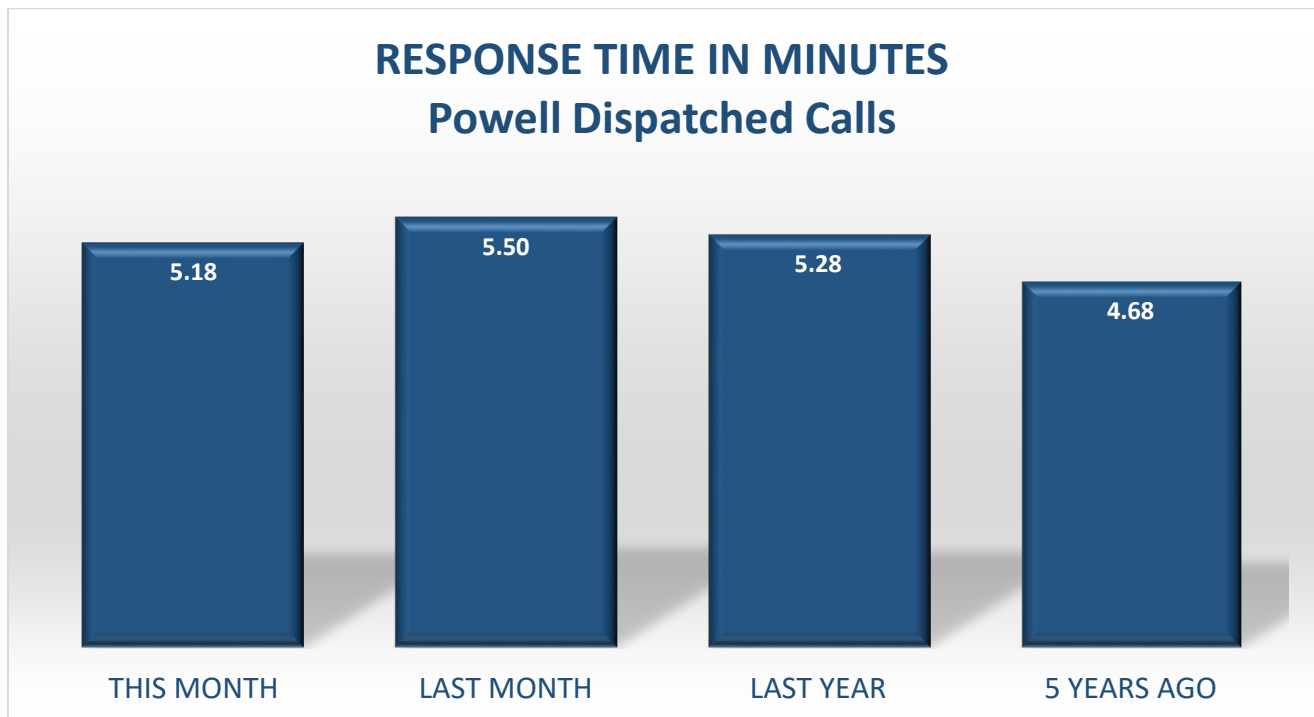
NATURE	MINUTES ON CALLS	PERCENT OF TIME	CALLS	PERCENT OF CALLS
Special Detail	4,946.7	19.2%	80	4.4%
Business / House Check	4,870.8	18.9%	1027	55.9%
Follow-Up/Investigation	4,454.5	17.3%	116	6.3%
Traffic Control	2,218.3	8.6%	130	7.1%
Domestic	1,703.3	6.6%	9	0.5%
Traffic Stop	1,196.6	4.7%	138	7.5%
Theft	1,143.3	4.4%	51	2.8%
Suspicious Activity	976.4	3.8%	31	1.7%
Alarm/911 Hang-Up	652.5	2.5%	81	4.4%
Traffic Crash	623.6	2.4%	14	0.8%
Assist Other Agency/Unit	567.7	2.2%	80	4.4%
Investigate Complaint	554.4	2.2%	24	1.3%
Animal Call	374.4	1.5%	13	0.7%
Drunk	361.8	1.4%	1	0.1%
Harassment/Threats	355.2	1.4%	5	0.3%
Juvenile	124.6	0.5%	6	0.3%
Well Being Check	120.5	0.5%	7	0.4%
Suicide Attempt	115.8	0.4%	1	0.1%
Warrant	104.3	0.4%	1	0.1%
Lockout	90.5	0.4%	4	0.2%
Community Engagement	69.7	0.3%	5	0.3%
Parking Complaint	52.2	0.2%	9	0.5%
Lost & Found	48.3	0.2%	2	0.1%
Trash Dumping	7.3	0.0%	1	0.1%

This is the nature of the call as originally reported by the dispatcher.

STACKED CALLS



RESPONSE TIME





K9 ACTIVITY

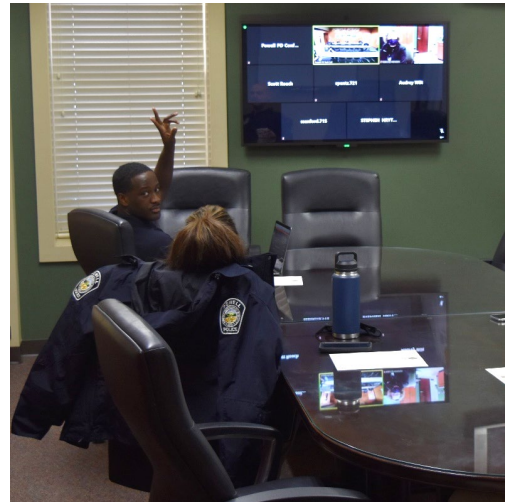
K9 Axel and his handler, Officer Jason Latiolais, completed seven hours of training. There were no deployments. Left: Axel enjoys the February snowfall. ♦

COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

Officer Audrey Wilt gave presentations on Personal Awareness and Safety to the employees of Local Roots and to SourcePoint. She also installed four child car seats and attended a virtual meeting of the Powell Citizens Academy Alumni Association (PCPAAA). ♦

TRAINING

In February the department conducted 82 hours of training to include Supervisor Training and Education Program (STEP), a tabletop exercise on a barricaded subject (pictured), Legal Update, PELCAA Virtual Conference and a department wide staff meeting. ♦



USE OF FORCE

The Powell Police Department carefully tracks all uses of force by the agency. In the interest of transparency, we will report these incidents monthly.

- ❖ Officers used joint manipulation to control an intoxicated subject during a domestic. This use of force was needed to keep the subject away from the other party to the domestic.
- ❖ Officers used joint manipulation to remove an intoxicated subject from a car after the subject refused to comply with verbal orders. Minimal force was required again when the subject escaped one of the handcuffs. The subject was transported by medics to Grady Hospital after complaining of pain. No injury was found. ♦

OFFICER OF THE YEAR

The 2020 staff meeting was held on February 17, 2021.

Officer of the Year was awarded to Officer Alex Hale for 2020. Hale had an excellent year, and he performed at an exemplary level across many performance categories. He led the agency in traffic stops, made quality arrests for OVI and drugs, and led second shift officers in preventative patrols and business checks. Officer Hale also requested to take on additional case assignments so that he could improve his investigative skills.

More importantly, Officer Hale demonstrated strong problem-solving skills and community policing buy-in, which were shown when the department received several citizen compliments and social media posts praising his engagement with the community.

Officer Hale volunteered to join the accreditation team. He also volunteered to become a drone pilot. During the 2020 accreditation virtual on-site, Ofc. Hale flew a drone inside the police building to provide a virtual tour for assessors since they could not be here in person. The assessors noted this technology to be cutting edge since they had not seen this done before inside a building.

Despite Officer Hale's short tenure with the agency, he has proven to be a valuable asset to the force.



Chief Stephen Hrytzik, Officer Alex Hale and Sergeant Andy Lucas

DRONE

The Mavic ENT was flown on February 16 to capture pictures of the city in winter snowfall.



TRAFFIC SURVEY (STEALTH STAT)

The Police Department uses this data to assign officers for selective enforcement efforts.

Average Speed: The average speed of all vehicles registered by the StealthStat device.

85th Percentile: 85 percent of all vehicles were at this speed or slower.

Ten-Mile Pace: The range of speeds in which the majority of vehicles were traveling.

Vehicles per Hour: On busy streets, the device cannot accurately count vehicles in the far lane.

Murphy Parkway February 1-7, 2021 Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Northbound	29.81	35	25-34	54.77
Southbound	28.68	34	25-34	50.27

Bennett Parkway at Charterhouse Court February 8-14, 2021 Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Northbound	28.56	34	25-34	42.82
Southbound	30.27	37	27-36	32.99

3972 Hickory Rock Drive February 22-28, 2021 Speed Limit 25

Direction	Average Speed	85 th Percentile	Ten-Mile Pace	Average Vehicles per Hour
Eastbound	20.79	27	19-28	8.35
Westbound	21.40	28	19-28	7.85

TRAFFIC CRASHES



CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
21-0085	2/12/2021	MARKED LANES	While attempting a right turn from SR 750 west to the south on South Liberty Street. Unit 1 side swiped Unit 2 who was stopped in traffic facing north on South Liberty Street. Unit 1 then struck the light pole located on the southwest corner of the intersection, with the right rear tires of Unit 1's trailer. CITED
21-0105	2/18/2021	ACDA	Unit 2 stopped at the traffic light at SR 750. Unit 2 began traveling eastbound on SR 750 through the traffic light at Murphy Parkway. Unit 1 was traveling eastbound on SR 750 behind Unit 2. Unit 1 proceeded eastbound on SR 750 and struck Unit 2 in the rear of the vehicle. CITED
21-0107	2/11/2021	ACDA	Unit 2 approached and stopped at a red traffic signal in the left turn lane at 4000 W Olentangy St. near Sawmill Parkway. Unit 1 struck Unit 2 in the rear of the vehicle.

CASE	DATE	CAUSE	NARRATIVE
21-0114	2/20/2021	ACDA	Unit 2 was stopped in the left southbound lane on Sawmill Parkway north of SR 750 across from the Giant Eagle shopping center. Unit 1 was stopped directly behind Unit 2. The southbound traffic signal turned green, and traffic began to move. Unit 1 thought Unit 2 had begun to move, and Unit 1 accelerated into the rear-end of Unit 2, who was still stationary. CITED
21-0128	2/23/2021	HIT-SKIP	Unit 2 was parked and unoccupied. Unit 1 backed from a parking space and struck Unit 2. The driver of Unit 2 fled the scene.
21-0135	2/25/2021	FAILURE TO YIELD	While travelling south on Hall Street, Unit 2 struck Unit 1 while Unit 1 was attempting a left turn from the Scioto Street Alley west to Hall Street south.
21-0144	2/27/2021	ACDA	Unit 2 was stopped in traffic at a traffic light. Unit 1 failed to stop in time and stuck Unit 2. CITED

MAP OF TRAFFIC CRASHES



February 2021 Crash Type

- INJURY
- PRIVATE PROPERTY
- PROPERTY DAMAGE

Map by the City of Powell Development Department

THANK-YOU NOTES



Thank
You

Matt

Thank you for helping
to make Melissa and
Corgi's wedding special
Adam