Public Safety Department
April 2022 City Council Staff Report

POLICE

Several officers participated in the Crosswalk Blitz at all the school zones in the morning hours and the city crosswalk zones during the afternoon and evening. Officers contacted 49 drivers over the span of two days and issued citations and warnings.

Det. Bate participated in a tactical tracking class in Kane County. This was her last course to complete her certification as a SWAT operator.

Officer Hall and K9 Copper assisted St. George Police Department on a traffic stop. K9 Copper did a free-air sniff on the vehicle and indicated there were drugs. The officers searched the vehicle and the driver. The driver had cocaine-related paraphernalia and approximately 7.5 pounds of Fentanyl pills located in the vehicle. The estimated street value for the Fentanyl was $1.5 million.

Sgt. Hallman deployed the drone at the Annual Easter Egg Hunt in Ivins City. During the event, a missing child was reported, and Sgt. Hallman quickly spotted the child on the drone and reunited the child with their parent. There was another drone deployment in Kayenta this month. An autistic subject walked away from a home in Kayenta, and Sgt. Hallman deployed the drone and was able to locate the subject unharmed.

Several officers responded to a report of a stabbing in Santa Clara. Officers arrived and began investigating and found that there was no stabbing and everyone at the residence was okay. The call was later found to be a 911 prank from an unknown individual using an app.

Officer Carter completed the Police POST Academy and graduated top in the class for his firearms training. Officer Carter and Officer Jessop were sworn in and took their oath of office. The SCIPD had the positions of lieutenant and sergeant open, and several in-house applications were received. Sgt. Jaron Studley was promoted to Lieutenant, Det. Nicholas Tobler was promoted to Sergeant, and Officer Jessica Bate was appointed to Detectives.

The Code Enforcement officer has had 24 total cases so far for April. Ten cases were in Ivins City, six closed, and four are still open for follow-ups.

The victim advocate served 14 victims, with eight being children. The victims were helped with protective orders, reparations, safety planning, and other crisis calls for assistance with our victim services.

ANIMAL CONTROL

During the month of April, the SCI Animal Shelter received 91 animal-related incidents. Of those incidents, there were 56 animal problems, 25 animal strays, and two animal bites. They also participated

in a “Muts at the Mall Mega Adoption” event on April 23. Their booth was bustling and well attended, and they adopted all the adoptable pets. Multiple people came to the booth to observe the reptile display and interact with animal control officers to learn more about the shelter.