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To: Jennifer Wooldridge,
Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board

From: Chief of Police Thomas Mills

Subject: 2021 Body-worn camera report

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The Broadview Police Department (BPD) implemented its Officer Body-Worn Camera (BWC) program on August 1, 2016. The Department has 31 body-worn cameras which are used by 23 of the 27 sworn officers (Chief, Deputy Chief and 2 Lieutenants are exempt).

The biggest technical issue we experienced in 2021 was that continuous low battery alerts needed to be shipped out for repair and reprogramming. We use the Panasonic model WV-TW370.

At least once every 60 days, Sergeants conduct a review of their officers' BWC video and the Operations or Administrative Commander review the Sergeants BWC video. The review is logged in the video review log book to include the officer's name, date of the review, video date and number, Sergeant's/Commander's signature and comments (policy compliance/violation and description of video). The Deputy Chief verifies the BWC review is completed every 60 days. The Broadview Police Department's policy on review of BWC video states:

- A. At least once every (60) sixty-day period, first line supervisors of the Operations Division shall review a taped event of each officer in the Operations Division. The supervisor will log this review in the "video review database" (database to be implemented by Data Processing under the officer's name). Thus each officer should have at least one notation of review in any given (60) sixty-day period, commencing with the full implementation of this policy.
- B. Supervisors should use these reviews as a quality control measure. Following such a review, the supervisor will hold a meeting with the officer and provide the officer with either positive reinforcement or constructive criticism with respect to the stop reviewed.



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- C. Constructive criticism may relate to officer safety issues, demeanor, policy issues or legal issues related to the stop as well as any other supervisory observation relative to performance.
- D. Recordings shall not be used to discipline law enforcement officers unless:
1. A formal or informal complaint of misconduct has been made;
 2. A use of force incident has occurred;
 3. The encounter on the recording could result in a formal investigation under the Uniform Peace Officers' Disciplinary Act; or
 4. As corroboration of other evidence of misconduct.
 5. This shall be construed to limit or prohibit a law enforcement officer from being subject to an action that does not amount to discipline.

Attached is a spreadsheet indicating offenses in 2021 where BWC video was used in the prosecution of a criminal offense.

If you have any further questions regarding this report, feel free to contact me or Administrative Lieutenant Michael Akim (makim@broadview-il.gov)

Sincerely,

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