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## Lake in the Hills Police Department Body Worn Camera 2023 Report

- 1. The Lake in the Hills Police Department's organizational structure consists of fifty-one (51) authorized personnel; forty-one sworn officers (41), eight civilian positions (8) and two (2) part-time positions. The current staffing level of forty-one (41) sworn officers are all assigned and utilize a body worn camera (BWC).
- 2. The department currently has forty-one (41) body worn cameras in its inventory with the intent of purchasing one more body camera within the next budget period to utilize as a replacement for potential BWC malfunctions which require service or replacement.
- 3. During calendar year 2023 the department experienced four technical issues with the body cameras which consisted of the following:
  - Incorrect date display (1)
  - System Recovery Error (No response from camera) (3)

All technical issues were addressed expeditiously through the manufacturer's warranty. Each BWC was replaced by means of return merchandise authorization.

- 4. A brief description of the review process used by our supervisory staff includes:
  - Duties of Sergeants/Shift Commanders
    - ➤ Oversee and ensure the proper use of the BWC's in accordance with policy and training.
    - ➤ Verify that appropriate notification has been made if a problem occurs with a BWC, or the back-office system, by submitting a help desk ticket to the Information Technology Department.
    - ➤ Notify the Program Administrator of any reported malfunctions or issues with a BWC or back-office system.
    - Review BWC video related to use of force, pursuits, officer complaints, critical incidents, internal reviews, an encounter that could result in a formal investigation, or incidents that may generate community interest.
    - ➤ Conduct a quarterly audit of three (3) random BWC recordings for each direct report officer to ensure that the equipment is operating properly, and officers are using the BWC's appropriately and in accordance with policy and training. The results of the audit are forwarded to the BWC Administrator. An inquiry is conducted into any violation of policy determined as a result of the audit. Upon

consultation with the Program Administrator, it will be determined if a further audit needs to be conducted.

- 5. Attached is an Excel file including a list of any criminal, traffic, and ordinance violations in which BWC video recordings were used, including party names, case numbers, offenses charged, date and time of incident, and disposition of the matter. The file includes court proceedings, coroner inquests, grand jury proceedings, and plea bargains.
- 6. BWC recordings used in civil proceedings or internal affairs investigations:
  - For calendar year 2023 no BWC recordings were used in a civil proceeding
  - For calendar year 2023 there are no pending internal affairs investigations where BWC camera recordings were utilized
  - Resolved civil proceedings:
    - > N/A
  - Resolved pending investigations:
    - Discourteous/Violation of Rights. Unfounded. 122922/1930 hours. 10 block Sussex Ct.
    - Conduct Unbecoming/Violation of use of force policy. Unfounded. 012523/2250 hours. 2800 block Brisbane Dr.
    - Failure to take action. Founded. 031123/2055 hours. 500 block Seminole Tr.
    - ➤ Violation of Law/Conduct Unbecoming/Self-Assigned enforcement action. Not substantiated. 053123/2200 hours. 200 block North Randall Rd.
    - ➤ Discrimination. Unfounded. 061423/1445 hours. 1100 block Crystal Lake Rd.
    - ➤ Violation of use of force and pursuit policy. Not substantiated. 121723/1950 hours. 1000 block W. Algonquin Rd.
- 7. No other information relevant to the administration of the program is included in this report.

Respectfully,

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