



Melbourne Beach Police Department

Monthly Report

March 2019



In the month of March, we had a total of 9 criminal charges. 4 Felony and 5 Misdemeanors that ranged from Forgery, Narcotics, to Driving Under the Influence.

House checks/ residential and business checks are continued daily. The officers and I continue to be proactive as they conducted several “directed traffic enforcement details” throughout the town. Our radar trailer is also placed in various locations throughout the city to assist in deterring speeders.

We had 4 animal complaints this month consisting of a loose dog, deceased bird and an injured bird.

Our areas of high volume calls consist of Injured/ILL persons. These calls are unpredictable, and each of the officers is First Responder/CPR/AED certified and is first on the scene to provide medical treatment as necessary.

All reports and calls for service are checked each day by either myself or a supervisor. Depending on the type of crime we have, procedures are in place to take the appropriate action to resolve the issue.

Our SRO Alex Vila continues to promote positive reinforcement to students, parents, and teachers when needed at Gemini Elementary.

On March 18th during Spring Break Sgt. Smith, Sgt. Kino, SRO Vila, and Ofc. McDuffie (who provided the music) had a great time playing some basketball/kickball with several students and parents from Gemini Elementary.

- We have received both of our new patrol cars which are now fully outfitted with decals, assigned to officers and are on the road.
- We have a new Police Officer Zachary Martin who will begin his field training on April 1st. We welcome Officer Martin to our agency and what he has to offer us with prior law enforcement experience from New Jersey.
- Sgt. Kino has begun his Advanced training courses in First Line Supervision (80 hours) that is offered free to LEO's at Eastern Florida State College. He will then take a Middle Management Course (40 hours) which is also provided free at EFSC in July.
- Sgt. Smith will be attending an 80 hr course of Instructor Techniques offered at EFSC. We look forward to new training opportunities for our officers and the community once he completes this course.
- Southern Squall Event was a success from a LE point of view. We did have one individual who was arrested for Driving Under the Influence of alcohol.
- On March 27th during the intense hail storm we lost power briefly as the new generator came on and was able to power the police department until the normal electricity was restored.

The Melbourne Beach Police Officers and I are committed to community policing and keeping our town safe which is our #1 priority.

Attached you will see a brief overview of the Sergeants monthly report that highlights some of our calls for service.

Stay Safe, Chief Melanie Griswold



MELBOURNE BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT
Matthew Smith
Sergeant

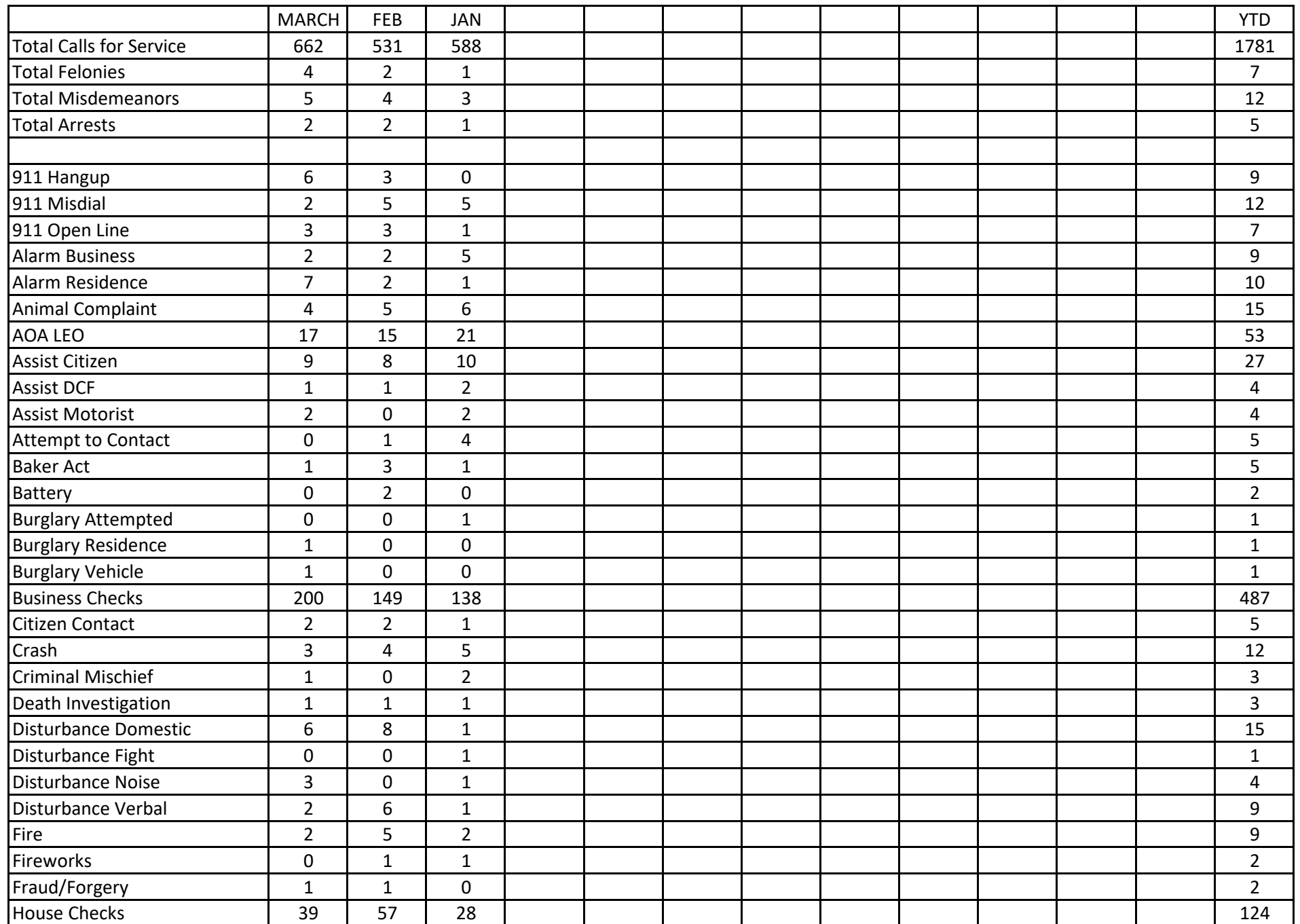
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- 3/1- Vehicle crash in the 300 block of Ocean Avenue, between two vehicles. No injuries were reported and there was minor damage to both vehicles.
- 3/2- DUI arrest of a male in the 500 block of Ocean Avenue. Intoxicated male was stopped for going around barricades for an event taking place.
- 3/4- Domestic, verbal dispute, in the 300 block of Cherry Drive. Mother and adult son were in an argument and the parties separated for the night.
- 3/4- Vehicle crash between two vehicles at Oak Street and Avenue B. One person was transported to the hospital with minor injuries. Both vehicles had minor damage.
- 3/4- Baker Act of a juvenile male in the 200 block of Dogwood.
- 3/6- Death Investigation in the 200 block of Ocean Avenue. Deceased male was found in his vehicle with no signs of foul play. Waiting for Medical Examiner report
- 3/6- Vehicle crash between two vehicles at Oak Street and Ocean Avenue. There were no reported injuries and both vehicles had minor damage.
- 3/11- Domestic, verbal dispute in the 200 block of Dogwood. Mother and father were having issues with juvenile son and the Department of Children and Families were contacted to assist.
- 3/13- Domestic, verbal dispute in the 2100 block of Atlantic Street. Mother and juvenile daughter were in argument and the parties separated for the night.
- 3/15- Burglary, Criminal Mischief and Trespassing in the 200 block of Sixth Avenue. A male, known by the homeowner, broke into a home causing damage to the door. The owner of the home and suspect made an agreement and the owner signed a Decline to Prosecute. The male was trespassed from the property.
- 3/20- Domestic, verbal dispute in the 300 block of Third Avenue between boyfriend and girlfriend. The parties separated for the night.

- 3/22- Arrested female for Fraud/ Forgery, Theft and Possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana. A female tried to cash a forged check in the 400 block of Ocean Avenue and tried to leave the area. Officers located the vehicle immediately and after an investigation, she was arrested.
- 3/22- Burglary to a vehicle in the 300 block of Ocean Avenue. The vehicle was unlocked with its windows down and a purse with wallet was sitting on the center console. The wallet was taken from the purse. No suspect information.
- 03/31- Domestic, verbal dispute in the 200 block of Flamingo Lane. The juvenile was taken to Crosswinds to defuse the situation. The case was turned over to the Department of Children and Families.



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