

## STATE OF POLICE SERVICE

In 2014 the Rock Falls Police Department responded to 19,447 “calls for service”, of those, 281 were motor vehicle accidents. The department received a total of 4,954 "E911" calls.

In comparison in 2013 the “calls for service” totaled 17,472 of those, 305 were motor vehicles accidents. The department received a total of 3,963 “E911” calls.

With the patrol section of the department at 90% staffed the overtime was up in some areas due to the lack of staffing and coverage. Unexpected city events created an increase in overtime also. Court overtime was down. The Telecommunication section was at 80% staffed and the overtime has increased substantially to handle the shift coverage.

In Patrol, one officer retired, one officer left for another police department and another officer was off on worker’s compensation injury for the majority of the year. In Telecommunications, one telecommunicator retired after 34yrs.

We continue to stress the need for continuous training. The total training hours for the year was 957 hours. This is 700 hours under last year’s training.

With the continuing change to laws, increases to urban and rural crimes, the department needs to stay abreast of training needs for the officers and Telecommunicators. This will result in an increase in the training budget because more classes are being held further away which requires hotels, meals and registration fees.

This is a major concern within the department, however I believe we can continue to provide the services the citizens of Rock Falls expect and deserve.

## PERSONNEL UPDATE

### Resignations:

February Officer Nicholas Butler (5 Months)  
February T/C Rachelle Moreno (2 Months)  
February T/C Dylan Ehlers (1 Month)  
December Officer Steve Garrison (2 Years)

### Retirements:

June CSO Joan Atilano (34 Years)  
September Sgt. John Worcester (20 Years)

### Terminations:

None

### Deaths:

None

### Hiring's:

January Officer Chad Hermes  
January T/C Rachelle Moreno  
March T/C Dylan Ehlers  
April T/C Jennifer Hendricks  
July T/C Autumn Day  
December Officer Matt McKanna  
December Officer Greyson Scott  
December Officer Nicholas Neblung

### Appointments/Promotions:

May T/C Amy Stoeckel appointed to CSO.  
September Officer Dave Pilgrim appointed to Detective  
September Officer Veronica Jaramillo promoted to Sergeant

## **Staffing Status:**

As of December 31<sup>st</sup> 2014 the department was staffed with nineteen sworn officers and seven telecommunicators and one part-time records clerk. The department's full staffing level is twenty sworn officers and seven telecommunicators. The newest two officers were hired on December 29<sup>th</sup>. They will be attending the Academy starting January 5<sup>th</sup> and will graduate March 20<sup>th</sup> 2015. The department will start the hiring process on January 5<sup>th</sup> to replace Officer Garrison's vacancy.

In the early spring of 2014 Officer Nicholas Butler voluntary resigned from the department.

Two telecommunicators were hired but both resigned within a month of being hired for other employment. Jennifer Hendricks was hired to fill the vacancy of T/C

In the summer of 2014 Community Service Officer/Telecommunicator Joan Atilano retired after 34 years of dedicated service to the Department and the city. Telecommunicator Amy Stoeckel was appointed to fill the vacancy. Autumn Day was hired to fill the Vacancy of T/C left by Amy Stoeckel.

In the fall of 2014 Sgt. John Worcester retired after 20 years of dedicated service to the Department and the city. With John's retirement Detective Veronica Jaramillo was promoted to Patrol Sergeant and Patrolman Dave Pilgrim appointed to Detective and moved into investigations.

In the fall of 2014 with the movements and retirements three new officers were hired. Officer Matt McKanna, Officer Greyson Scott and Officer Nicholas Neblung. This brought the department to full staffing of sworn and non-sworn personnel.

On December 31<sup>st</sup> 2014 Officer Steve Garrison accepted a patrol position with the Dixon Police Department.

In the year of 2014 we have hired four new officers to replace those who have left and or retired. We have hired four telecommunicators but only two have remained. The department was fully staffed at the end of the calendar year but is now down one officer. The department will start the hiring process in January to replace Officer Garrison on January 5<sup>th</sup> 2015 in an attempt to bring the department to full staffing.

The department is very young in years of experience. There are now eight sworn officers under five years of service. There are three telecommunicators under two years of service. They all are very competent and proud to be members of the Rock Falls Police Department.

**ROCK FALLS POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MAJORITY OF CALLS FOR SERVICE**

<b>TYPE OF CALLS FOR SERVICE</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>
Deceptive Practices, Fraud, Forgery	105	117	133
Criminal Damage to Property	224	201	151
Criminal Trespass to Vehicle, Land, Residence	87	75	66
Unlawful Use of Weapon, Weapon Calls	8	7	10
Criminal Sexual Abuse, Misdemeanor Sex Charges	13	9	15
Child Neglect, Child Abuse, Endangering the life of a child	32	33	21
Runaways, Curfew, Minors Requiring Authorative Intervention	214	230	333
Reckless Driving	105	92	105
Disorderly Conduct, Telephone Harassment	863	710	868
Fireworks	39	51	27
Domestic Violence, Domestic Battery, Visitation Violations	294	284	365
Warrant Arrests, In-state and Out of State	323	217	208
Assist Other Agencies, City Departments	1158	1642	1751
Alarms (Burglary, Hold Up, Bank, Smoke, Fire)	200	187	176
Suspicious Auto, Noise, Persons	664	614	578
Fingerprinting	130	130	73
Animal Calls (Dog, Strays, Bites, other)	206	470	328
Mental Health Problems (Suicides, Attempts, Assists)	49	78	74
Sex Offender Registration	225	239	230

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**Rock Falls Police Dpeartment Personnel  
Position and Name**

**31-Dec-14  
Years of Service**

Chief Michael Kuelper	30 yrs
Commander Tammy Nelson	21 yrs
Commander Doug Coppotelli	16 yrs
Detective Sgt Jay Koett	23 yrs
Sgt Mark Davis	16 yrs
Sgt Jeremy Vondra	11 yrs
Sgt Veronica Jaramillo	9 yrs
Sgt Doug Wolber	8 yrs
Officer James Hollaway	17 yrs
Detective David Pilgrim	13 yrs
Officer Jon Cater	6 yrs
Officer Sara Rokey	6 yrs
Officer Jarrett Ludwig	4 yrs
Officer Betony Wade	3 yrs
Officer Julia Signer	2 yrs
Officer Scott Allspaugh	1 yr
Officer Chad Hermes	1 yr
Officer Matthew McKanna	2 Weeks
Officer Greyson Scott	1 Week
Officer Nicholas Neblung	1 Week

<b>Position and Name</b>	<b>Years of Service</b>
Telecommunicator Katie Pilgrim	12 yrs
Telecommunicator Pam Henderson	10 yrs
Telecommunicator Jasmine McKenna	4 yrs
Telecommunicator Kari Anderson	1 yr
Telecommunicator Jennifer Hendricks	8 months
Telecommunicator Autumn Day	5 months
Community Service Officer Amy Stoeckel	8 yrs
Records Clerk Joy Colberg	3 yrs
<b>School Crossing Guards</b>	
Paula Jordan	28 yrs
Pamela Tate	10 yrs
April Harrington	7 yrs
Lu Ann Garcia	4 yrs
Chirstine Rodekamp	4 months
<b>Resignations</b>	
Officer Steven Garrison	2 yrs
Officer Nicholas Butler	5 months
Telecommunicator Rachelle Moreno	2 months
Telecommunicator Dylan Ehlers	1 month
<b>Retirements</b>	
Community Service Officer Joan Atilano	34 Yrs
Sgt. John Worcester	20 yrs