


TO: Honorable Mayor and Council

FROM: Kenneth McLaughlin, Chief of Police 

VIA: Carol S. Houck, Town Manager

SUBJECT: Monthly Update for the Public Safety Department as of February 28, 2026

#### Calls for Service – Summary

- See attached data report.
- Four responses were recorded in the Town of Millville.

#### Volunteer Unit

- The Volunteer Unit logged 93 hours of service in February 2026.

#### Monthly Police Training Summary

- ALPR Usage & Documentation
- De-escalation Strategies & Tactics
- Pedestrian/Bicycle Crash Reconstruction School
- ALERRT Active Shooter Level 1
- Responding to Line of Duty Deaths

#### Community Policing Initiatives

- Senior Check-In
- House Checks
- Business Checks
- Drug Take-Back
- Special Olympics

#### Miscellaneous

- Chief McLaughlin and Town Manager Houck attended the monthly SCAT Breakfast in Georgetown.
- Police staff attended the monthly meeting of the Southern Sussex Ministerium.
- OVPD Staff and CERT aided with the Fire & Ice Event.
- Sergeant Justin Hopkins assisted the Millsboro Police Department with a promotional process on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Lieutenant Burton assisted the Criminal Justice Council with a Disciplinary Trial Board.
- The Regional PAC met on February 12<sup>th</sup> in Fenwick Island.
- OVPD hosted the monthly meeting of the Sussex County Police Chiefs' Association.
- Congratulations to Corporal 1 Washington Alava – 2025 OVPD Officer of The Year.
- OVPD participated in the funeral services for former State Senator George Howard Bunting on February 21<sup>st</sup> at Mariner's Bethel Church.
- OVPD staff assisted with the town response to the winter storm that impacted the region on February 22-23.

Incident Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
911 Disconnect													1
Animal Complaint	1	1											1
Assist BBPD	2	1											3
Assist DSP 4	26	3											29
Assist DSP 5	1												1
Assist DSP 7	1												1
Assist Fire Dept		2											2
Assist Other Agency	4												4
Assist SBPD	1	1											2
Burglar Alarm	3	3											6
Business Check	54	24											78
Civil Other	1												1
Criminal Impersonation	1												1
Domestic		1											1
DUI	1												1
Found Property	1	1											2
Harassment	2												2
Investigation	2												2
Local Fugitive	2	1											3
Medical Assist	4												4
Misc Title 21	1												1
Public Assist	11	2											13
Residence Check	53	19											72
Service Other		1											1
Susp Person	1	1											2
Susp Vehicle	1	1											2
Terr Threat	1												1
Theft	1												1
Town Ordinance	1												1
Traffic Collision PD	1	3											4
Traffic Collision PI		1											1





Arrest Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
LF	2	1											3
Summons	68	14											82
Warning	33	3											36
Warrant	1												1
Grand Total	104	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	122

Level	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
M	1												1
N/A	2	1											3
V	101	17											118
Grand Total	104	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	122

Alcohol Related	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Yes	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Grand Total	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

K9 Deployed?	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Yes	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Grand Total	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

Vehicle Towed?	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Yes	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Grand Total	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6

Millville Incident	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Yes	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Grand Total	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

Incident Category	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Civil	1	1											2
Criminal	34	5											39
Service	176	71											247
Traffic	5	5											10
Grand Total	216	82	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	298

Report Type	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Grand Total
Crime/Incident	49	11											60
Field Service	117	32											149
N/A	50	39											89
Grand Total	216	82	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	298

<i>Date/Time (Dispatched) - Month</i>	<i>Date/Time (Dispatched)</i>	<i>DSP Incident Type</i>	<i>Did DSP Arrive on Scene?</i>	<i>OVPD Arrival Time</i>	<i>OVPD 10-8 Time</i>	<b>COUNTA of Complaint Number</b>	<b>OVPD Scene Duration</b>
Jan	1/31/2026 10:27:00	Mental Patient	Yes	1/31/2026 10:30:00	1/31/2026 11:40:00	1	1:10:00
	1/29/2026 10:30:00	Welfare Check	Yes	1/29/2026 11:21:00	1/29/2026 11:45:00	1	0:24:00
	1/3/2026 3:06:00	Susp Vehicle	Yes	1/3/2026 3:14:00	1/3/2026 3:26:00	1	0:12:00
<b>Jan Total</b>						<b>3</b>	<b>1:46:00</b>