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Date

April 28, 2025

Mayor and Council, City of Salmon Arm

RE: Salmon Arm RCMP Detachment

Quarterly Policing Report – January 1 to March 31, 2025

Dear Mayor and Council,

My report this quarter covers the time period from January 1 to March 31, 2025 with staffing updates at the time of writing this report.

Detachment News

Your local Detachment is currently running at 81% capacity (21 members currently working in Salmon Arm). I have been able to secure the transfer of 2 more constables from other communities who should all be here working in Salmon Arm by Summer. I am still in talks with Divisional staffing to fill the Operations NCO (Sergeant spot) and are awaiting to hear if there is any interest from others in the Province. We do have a vacant Corporal spot which will probably be going out for promotion in the coming weeks. We have had one City vacancy in our administrative side and we have been working with Holly FLINKMAN at City Hall conducting interviews on potential candidates. I am happy to say that we have hired someone who, I believe, will be a great asset to both the City as well as the RCMP. We are excited to have her start once her security clearance is complete.

Over this quarter the officers responded to 1,524 calls for service. Of these calls, 1,222 were within the City of Salmon Arm which represents 80% of our total file workload. The detachment received 396 less reports than the same quarter in 2024.



I have included the Quarter One Mayors Report statistics. These points are based on the City's statistics compared to the same statistics from the same quarter over 2024. In analyzing these statistics:

- Assaults, Sexual Offences, Auto Theft, Motor Vehicle Collisions and Criminal Code Impaired Driving all trended upwards;
- Robbery, Break and Enters, Drug Investigations, Motor Vehicle Collisions with Fatality and Impaired Driving (IRP's) all trended downwards
- There was no trend change in Homicides and Theft from Motor Vehicles.
- Total Persons Crimes, Total Property Crime and Other Criminal Code files have all trended downwards.
- Files involving negative contact with youth and Domestic Violence calls have increased this quarter;
- Mental Health related calls as well as files involving Alcohol/Drugs have also decreased substantially.

In this quarter:

Officers continued to be busy in traffic law enforcement and logged:

- 248 documented traffic stops in this quarter.
 - o Which includes charging 9 prohibited drivers.
- 24 collisions with damage over \$10,000, injury collisions or fatal collisions within Salmon Arm in the quarter.

Community Communication / Engagement

- We have increased our foot patrols in the City Core, at the Farmers Market, and at community events. We also increased our foot patrols and regular patrols for the Silverbacks games;
- Our members attended the BCHL All-Star weekend and set up a community recruitment booth. We assisted with the All-Star skills competition measuring the speed of the hardest shot;
- Our Media Relations Officer has met with City staff to improve the communications of important time sensitive media releases;
- Our members have been proactively working with City By-Laws in dealing with a few problem residences in town;
- Our members have been actively working with the local schools and community groups presenting on topics including scams, safe social media use, and safety related to motorized scooters.



Investigative highlights this past quarter:

- We have had a couple of higher profile missing people files this quarter, including Derek RYDE, who is still missing. We have been working with Shuswap Search and Rescue as well as the family in trying to locate Mr RYDE.
- Our GIS team has been involved in a significant file involving Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation Material. We have forwarded a Report to Crown Counsel recommending numerous charges on an individual who is a repeat offender.
- Our members have seen in increase in counterfeit cigarettes in the community and there has been an increase in seizures of these cigarettes.
- This quarter, our members have had to deal with a couple of very challenging files related to the tragic deaths of three youth from our community. Our thoughts continue to go out to those families and community members affected by these events.

Other Highlights:

- The Salmon Arm Detachment will be taking part in an EV Pilot project. We will be receiving a New fully marked Ford Lightning which we are hoping will be here within a month. The charger will be installed at the detachment in the coming months;
- We have upgraded our interview system at the office which was out of date and failing;
- Our two new Constables in Salmon Arm are Cst Pat NYDR and Cst Mario JAKIC.

Yours in Service,

S/Sgt. Simon Scott NCO i/c Salmon Arm Detachment

