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Mason Police Department Monthly Board Meeting Report January 22, 2024

Tipton County CAD reported Mason PD had 59 calls for police service during the month of December.

Mason PD assisted EMS and Mason Fire 5 times during December.

Mason PD issued 62 citations in December thru January. 35 speeding, 27 other.
Freeman-1 Tillilie-6 Lt. Norfolk-55

1. Officer Dennis Freeman resigned after being scheduled for a disciplinary hearing in which he was to be terminated for several dept. violations including sleeping on duty 3 times.
2. The 3 blue light cameras will be installed in the next few weeks.
3. On New Years Eve, Lt. Norfolk and myself both patrolled the town. We observed 2 males firing guns in the air on Friendship Ln. in Richland Hills but were unable to locate the weapon used. TCSO and Lt. Norfolk made arrests on Hwy 70 on drug charges associated with gunshots being fired from a residence also on Jan. 1.
4. We have no applicants to fill the vacancies for the 2 officers who were hired in August 2023 and resigned for higher paying positions with other departments.
5. I have always believed that it is my duty and obligation to tell the Board what it needs to know, not what it wants to hear. Until the Mason Police Department can compete salary wise with departments in the area, we will continue to either hire sub par officers or no officers at all. Sub par officers expose the town to liability issues, negative publicity and corruption. Continuing to hire officers who attain their POST certification and then leave for higher paying positons is a waste of the Town's time and finances. We become a revolving door and the Town and its citizens lose and safety and welfare are jeopardized. The Town of Mason deseves better. This can be fixed.