

Lowell Metropolitan Police Commission

Chief's Report

January 23rd, 2025

Range Update: We met with the architect firm and made some potential floorplan changes and will begin to get cost estimates for the project from them.

Hiring Process: We have completed the physical assessment and written exam and are left with 8 applicants and 3 certified officers. We will be completing the officer panel interviews and background checks in the next few weeks and could possibly be ready for the commission interviews for the February meeting.

Vehicle Update: We were approved to purchase a 2023 Dodge Charger, 2023 Dodge Durango, and a 2025 Dodge Durango. These vehicles are to replace a vehicle with higher mileage, a vehicle for the added officer we are hiring, and to replace a vehicle involved in an accident that was a total loss.

2024 Department Highlights

- Added a 3rd officer to the NWR SWAT
- The department phone system was replaced
- Began training a 3rd day a month in defensive tactics after securing a grant to fund it
- Replaced several vehicle laptops and some station computers
- Added K9 Draco to the department
- Replaced the department surveillance system
- Purchased gym equipment, giving us another cardio option and we are replacing some older equipment

2024 Statistics

Incident Reports: 5723 (+503)

Crash Reports: 127 (-5)

Citations: 2347 (-91)

Warnings: 2781 (+401)

Criminal Charges: 842 (+45)

Extra Patrol/Vacation Checks: 45,465 (+20,185)

Total Calls for Service: 56,316 (+20,998)

In-Service Training Hours Per Officer: 110.84 (-18.49)