

Appendix B



Public Safety Department
Annual Report 2024

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Manager of Public Safety

PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT VISION

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- Public Safety is a professional and adaptable team committed to promoting safe communities through effective education and enforcement.

- To promote safe communities.

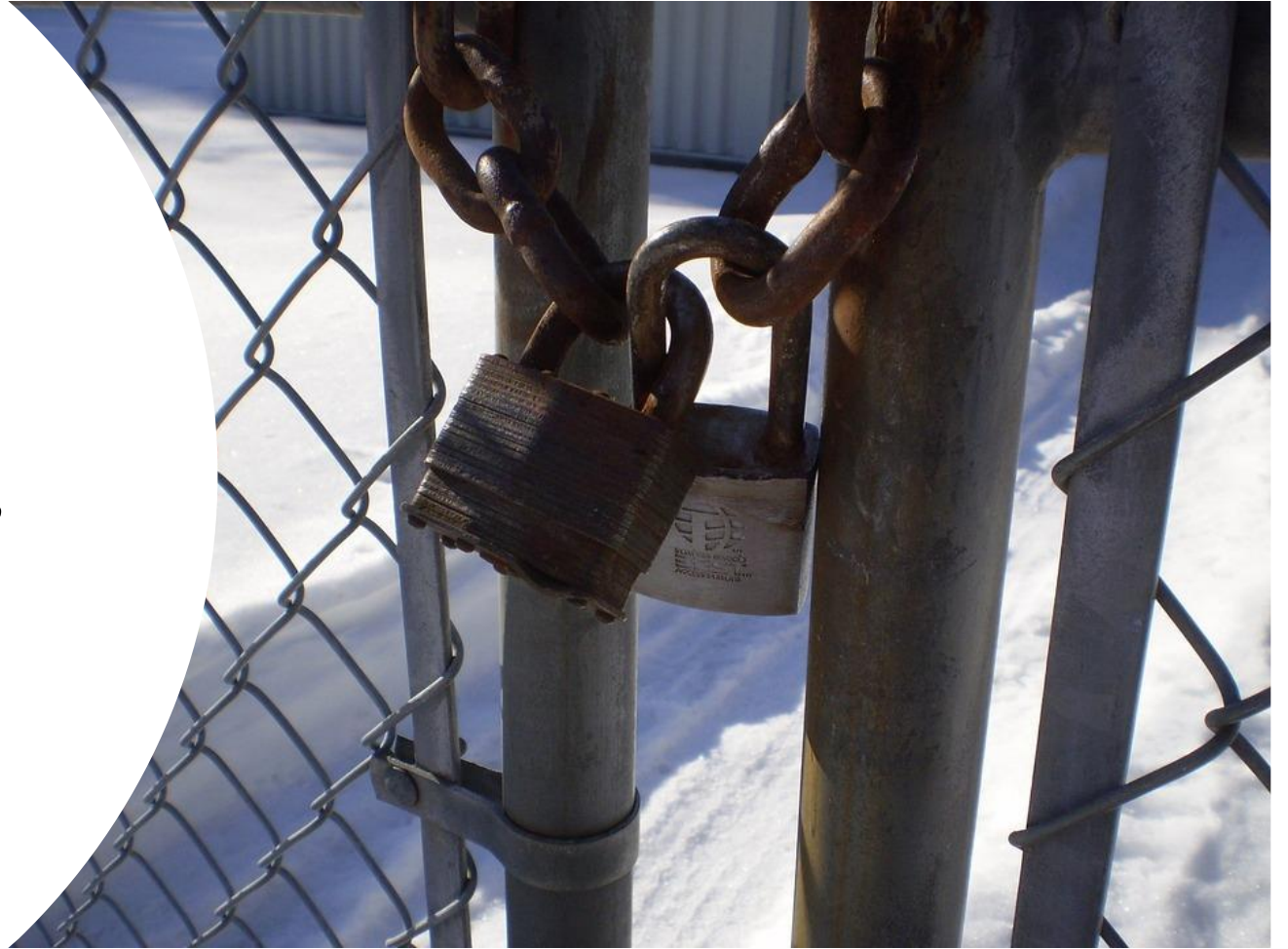
Our Team

- Director of Protective Services Luis Gandolfi
- Manager Kris Ferguson
- Administrative Assistant Cindy Coates
- Officer Steven Goguen
- Officer Sorin De-Gbon
- Officer Samuel Adams
- Officer Brittany Trudell
- Warren Young (awaiting appointment)



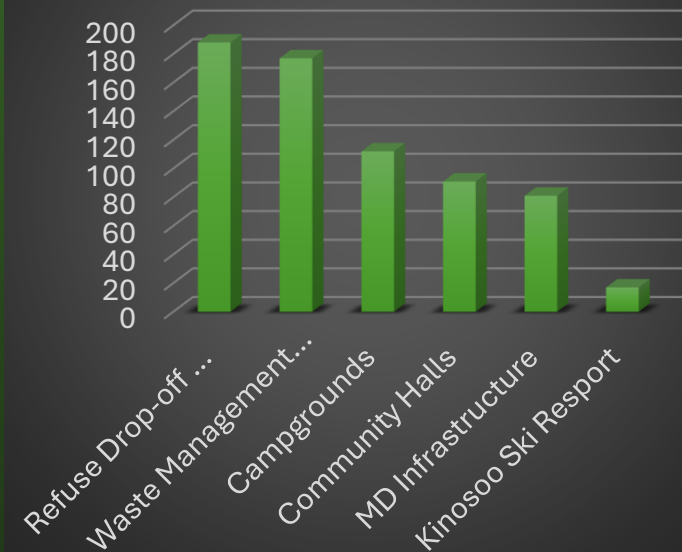
Focused on Crime Prevention

- Crime prevention is a cornerstone of our operations. From conducting neighborhood patrols to addressing suspicious individuals and vehicles, we actively collaborate with the RCMP and regularly share information to enhance community safety and deter criminal activity.



Preventing Crime

Crime Prevention Patrols



In 2024, the Municipal District of Bonnyville Peace Officers focused heavily on crime prevention patrols to ensure the safety and security of MD properties and infrastructure. Our proactive approach targeted key areas of concern, with a significant portion of our patrol efforts dedicated to MD owned assets and public facilities. The patrol data reflects our commitment to safeguarding these resources:

- **Waste Management Locations and Refuse Drop-off Points:** These locations accounted for the highest number of patrols, with over 300 combined patrols conducted. Given their vulnerability to illegal dumping, vandalism, and theft, these areas remained a priority for sustained monitoring and deterrence.
- **Campgrounds:** With over 110 patrols, we emphasized these recreational areas to enhance public safety and deter illicit activity, especially during peak usage seasons.
- **Community Halls:** Approximately 80 patrols were conducted to ensure these vital community gathering spaces remained secure and accessible for public use.
- **MD Infrastructure:** Key MD infrastructure, including roads and facilities, underwent over 100 patrols, highlighting their critical role in supporting the MD's operations and economic vitality.
- **Kinosoo Ski Resort:** While fewer patrols were required for this area, we ensured its protection as a key recreational and tourism asset for the MD.

By tailoring our patrol strategies to the needs of each location, we maximized our resources to help prevent crime and promote a safe environment for residents and visitors alike. These efforts align with our broader mandate of proactive Crime Prevention and community partnership.

Focused on Industry

- We proudly partner with CNRL, Baytex, Cenovus, and Imperial Oil to provide dedicated patrol services aimed at traffic safety and crime prevention across their well sites and service roads.
- In 2024, we delivered an impressive 1,170 hours of patrol services to our industry partners through a fee for service model equaling a net revenue of **\$136,000.00**.
- This highlights our commitment to enhancing safety and delivering increased support to our partners in the energy sector.



Why we do what we do...

Overweight and poorly maintained commercial vehicles pose a risk to the public and MD roads and infrastructure.

In 2024, Public Safety laid **53 charges** for commercial vehicle safety violations, and fined commercial drivers **\$14,498.00** in overweight charges.

We have also begun working with our software provider to help identify the types of commercial vehicles (e.g., oil haulers, gravel trucks, etc.) contributing to overweight and unsafe operations. This initiative will enhance our ability to target and address future issues and we anticipate rolling out this system in **January 2025**.



**Commercial
Vehicle
Infractions
found in
2024.**





**Cargo Securement violations
found in 2024.**

Focused on Traffic Safety

- The MD of Bonnyville encompasses over 2,776 kilometers of roads, requiring extensive monitoring and maintenance to ensure safety and accessibility.
- In 2024, the Public Safety Department responded to 17 motor vehicle collisions, demonstrating our ongoing commitment to supporting road safety and providing assistance when required during emergencies.

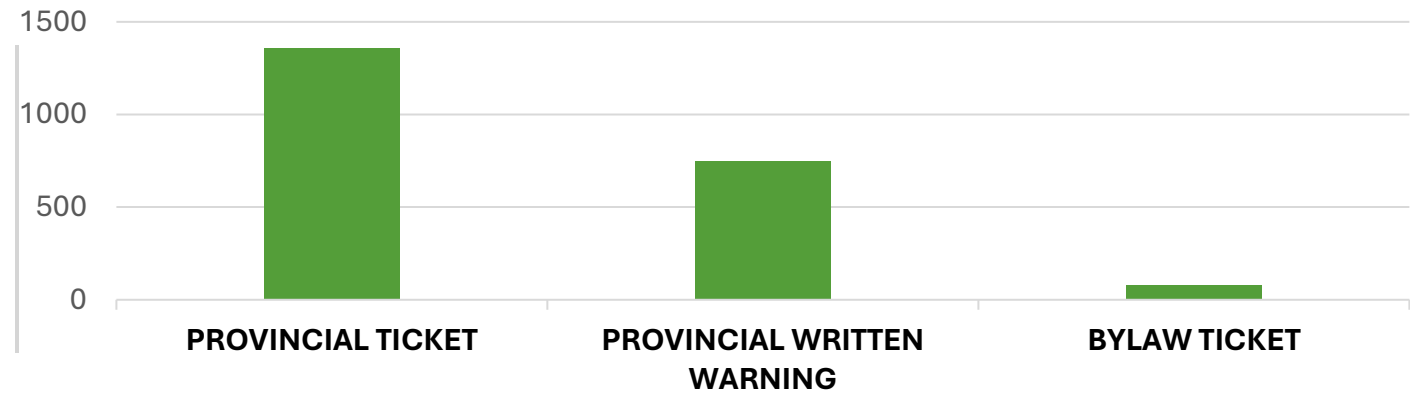




Routine Patrol Stats

- In 2024, we observed a range of serious traffic offenses during enforcement operations:
- **16 vehicles** failed to stop when directed by Peace Officers.
- **10 drivers** were found operating vehicles while unauthorized, posing risks to road users.
- **47 summonses to court** were issued, including:
 - **15 for driving without insurance**, a critical legal and financial violation.
 - **18 for speeding**, with the highest recorded speed being 168 km/h in a 100 km/h zone.
 - The most excessive speeding violation observed was **74 km/h over the posted limit**.
- Additionally, we issued **two 24-hour suspensions**, reflecting swift action in addressing immediate risks posed by impaired or unsafe driving behavior.
- These enforcement efforts demonstrate our ongoing commitment to ensuring road safety for our residents.

TICKETS/WARNINGS IN 2024



Tickets and Warnings

In 2024, our Public Safety team demonstrated a strong commitment to promoting safety and driver accountability by interacting with motorists significantly throughout the year.

Summary of Actions Taken:

- **1,356 Provincial Tickets** were issued, addressing a range of violations, generally in alignment with the provincial enforcement calendar. These resulted in **\$277,396.00** in fines being issued, excluding **46 summonses**, where fines must be levied by a Judge, typically for much higher than what law enforcement can issue roadside.

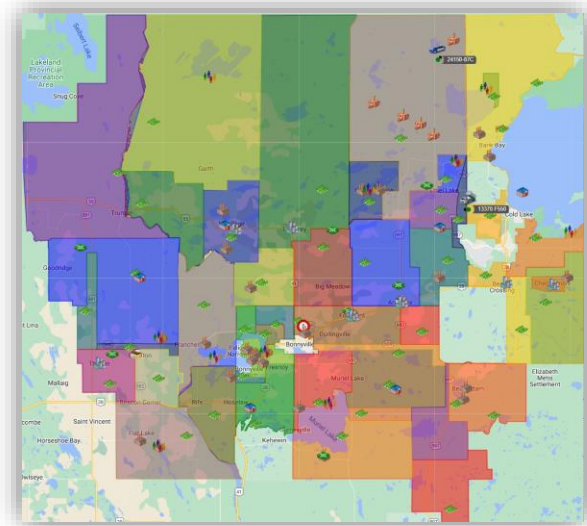
- **746 Provincial Written Warnings** were delivered, highlighting our balanced approach of educating drivers while enforcing the *Traffic Safety Act*.

- **79 Bylaw Tickets** were issued for municipal violations ensuring adherence to municipal standards.

Our 2024 enforcement activities underline our unwavering commitment to creating safer roads for all users. Moving forward, we will continue to balance enforcement with education to maintain safety and build trust with the communities we serve.

Patrols by Ward/Hamlet

WARD / HAMLET	Patrols
1	2432
2	2141
3	846
4	1366
5	1131
6	773
Glendon	544
Ardmore	592
Cherry Grove	183
Fort Kent	864
TOTAL PER YEAR	10,0872



With Public Safety receiving office and parking space at the Cherry Grove Firehall in 2025, we are confident the MD will be better served with officers starting and ending their shifts in the eastern half of the MD.

TYPES OF INCIDENTS	2021	2022	2023	2024
Dog Control/Livestock	155	206	200	178
Joint Force Operations	N/A	12	30	19
Abandoned Vehicles	20	21	15	8
Noise/Disturbance	22	17	15	5
Community Events	N/A	8	23	18
Illegal Dumping of Waste	6	56	27	9
Rural Crime Prevention	52	59	44	20
Assistance Rendered	N/A	54	98	69
All other reported files	380	282	224	238
TOTAL PER YEAR	635	715	676	564

CALLS FOR SERVICE BY YEAR

(MD OF BONNYVILLE AND GLENDON)



Petty Trespass Act

- Our Peace Officers are authorized to enforce the Petty Trespass Act, which primarily addresses incidents of trespassing on vacant rural land.
- In 2024, we responded to cases involving individuals unlawfully setting up unauthorized "camps" on private property without the owner's consent, ensuring property rights were upheld and community concerns addressed.

Community Standards

MD residents are entitled to live in safe, healthy, and productive neighborhoods.

- Our officers addressed **30** unsightly property complaints in 2024 and successfully resolved all reported issues.



Focused on Dog Safety

- There are **1096** licensed dogs in the MD and likely many more un-licensed
- In 2024 the Public Safety Department responded to **168** dog related complaints and laid **73** charges under municipal Bylaws.
- **22** reports involved aggressive dogs that are attacking other dogs or people



January

Intersection safety



January 8-14 Enforcement Week

February

Distracted driving



February 5-11 Enforcement Week
February 20-24 CVSA Human Trafficking
Awareness Initiative

March

Seatbelts



March 12-18 Enforcement Week
March 19-25 National Impaired Driving
Prevention Week

JUST AROUND THE CORNER.....



Any Questions?