



MONROE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Marathon City Council

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City of Marathon
Monthly Report: May 2022

Dear Council,

May was again a very busy and active month. Deputies responded to over 5,890 calls for service this month. Deputies still were able to make 158 arrest and Notice to appear cases and 7 DUI investigations. Extra patrols during this hectic time produced an impressive 992 traffic stops this month. All deputies were active in all areas this month.

Marathons new patrol boat has been very active since it arrived and this month was no different. Over 63 boarding's were conducted with 32 resource violations given. Numerous refugee arrivals, water emergency responses and Boot Key harbor patrols were conducted this month.

Marathon Deputies continue to make an impact in our community with local clean ups and community projects.

Operational plans for upcoming 4th of July as well as mini season are currently being worked on.

No significant crimes or crime trends to report.



Crime/Arrest Report:

MCSO22OFF003970- Vessel Burglary. Faro Blanco - John Larsen reported several high end fishing rods and reels had been stolen. John and his friend were sleeping on the boat the night of the burglary. Total number of rods stolen is 5 with a value of \$8,360.00.

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF003977 - Vessel burglary. Faro Blanco. Thomas Spicer stated 2 of his fishing rods were stolen of his boat. The two rods are valued at \$2300. Thomas noticed them missing while he was fishing today.

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF004088- Fraud. 59151 Overseas Hwy #65. Victim was scammed into using an app on his phone to enter a brokerage for trading on the stock market. App showed fake results and "broker" has been receiving money from victim for fees. Scam has been going on for nearly a year. Money lost so far estimated between \$80,000.00 and \$100,000.00.

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF004391: Traffic Arrest DUI/Bribery, Occurred: SR-5 SB @ 100th. Brian Seever was arrested for DUI 4th Subsequent. While awaiting transport Seever offered Bragg and Marino up to \$1500 cash or crypto to not arrest him and release him.

Case Closed-Arrest

MCSO22OFF003523- GRAND THEFT: RP, Christopher Micarelli, reported his dingy stolen from City Marina between Mon. (Apr. 25th) and Tues. (26th). White dingy with FL Reg. FL4427RM and black Yamaha outboard motor affixed were both entered NCIC/FCIC stolen

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF003583- Grand Theft. Vacation Boat Rentals. Amount of \$4,998.00 worth of construction tools stolen from the business. Ex-Employee may have taken the tools.

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF004273- Robbery. Seagrape Apts. Brayni Duran De Los Santos alleges Christian Goday and Demetrius Maynard entered Martin Kilbourne's apartment with and demanded all their marijuana or they would shoot them. Duran De Los Santos made this claim after being arrested for stealing the same marijuana from Joe's Pawn.

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF002156- Stabbing - Crystal Cove Apts - Edgar V Flores Barrera was charged w/ attempted murder and false info provided to LEO. Cesar O Barrera Vega charged w/ domestic battery and false info provided to LEO. Incident witnessed and captured on BWC by FWC officers, who were on scene investigating a boat crash. FWC officers observed Edgar chasing the victim. It was determined Edgar stabbed the victim, in the hand, back and stomach area. Edgar attempted to stab the victim more times, but missed. Cesar, brother of the victim, initiated the fight before Edgar stabbed him. Both provided fake names to LEO, on scene. The victim was taken to Fishermen's, with non-life threatening injuries.

Case Closed-Arrest

MCSO22OFF003944- Vessel burglary at Coral Lagoon. Vessel name – High Cotton. Thomas Cooler reported a single rod and reel valued at \$1200 was stolen from the vessel. Numerous other rod and reels also inside vessel that were not touched. Rod and reel last seen on 4/14/2022.

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF003573- Fraud, 6099 O/S Hwy #1AE. Janice Enders paid \$2,125 for computer service to IZACCESS INC. A month later, a person who identified themselves as a technician told Enders they were going to refund some of the money. They had her go to the bank and wire more than \$8,000 dollars to a bank in Lima, Peru due to them refunding her "too much." The next day they tried to get her to give them \$2,000 more in gift cards but she refused. Enders reported it to her bank 5 days later and she made a report. Enders has been difficult to make contact with. A subpoena was sent for her phone records to attempt to identify the people calling her.

Investigation ongoing.

MCSO22OFF003670- Elderly Exploitation. 1200 James Avenue. Germaine Main, 74 year old, was contacted by John Moore, well known scam artist name in the banking industry. Moore may have defrauded Main for \$20,000.00. Main has friends who are trying to protect her from being defrauded again. First Horizon is investing with MCSO. John Moore has been identified as a name used to defraud several elderly victims.

Ongoing Investigation

MCSO22OFF000954- Stolen Vehicle, 1998 O/S Hwy. Victim reported vehicle was left unlocked with keys inside. Surveillance video showed Ernesto Eatman walk into complex 20 minutes after committing vehicle burglary on 11th Street and 20 minutes prior to vehicle theft. Search warrant for Eatman's historical cell phone GPS data was obtained. Cell Tower data showed Eatman in Marathon, then in Miami in the timeframe matching drive time to location. Arrest Warrant Obtained and served.

Case Closed-Arrest

MCSO22OFF003279 and MCSO22OFF003281:- Boat Motor Theft, Marathon Yacht Club. Victims' boat motors were stolen off 2 dinghies on trailers parked in parking lot. Surveillance video from Switlik showed it occurred 04/21/2022 from 1242 hrs to 1437 hrs. The suspect vehicle appears to be a white Infiniti QX80. Yacht Club attempted to provide copies of surveillance video, but system crashed and deleted video. Fisherman's surveillance video showed the vehicle pull into 33rd Street from heading SB on US-1 and then leave NB on US-1. Surveillance video from Tom Thumb 55th showed the vehicle turn onto 55th Street from US-1, drive through KMART and suspect walk into Tom Thumb. Rental company provided that David Butcher was renter. DL matches suspect. Det. O'Neill made contact with Butcher at 7-11 in Tavernier, and positively ID'd him in surveillance video. Butcher's employer advised that they had him working on a vessel the day of the theft at theft location. 2 warrants have been obtained and pending service.

CASE CLOSED / PENDING WARRANT SERVICE

Marine unit:



MCSO22OFF003593 –(Resource/Arrest)– Zachary Camacho was arrested for spearfishing parrotfish and angel fish.



Possession of small Dolphin arrest



water emergency on kayaks sombrero beach

Community service:



Sgt. Slough removed an abandoned vessel from the Quay Boat Ramp.



– D/S Rogers shot a couple hoops with some kids at the City Park.



- Sgt Johnson was at the community park when she met these two families who live on vessels within Boot Key. All the children, to include their mothers, enjoyed seeing and working the lights and sirens on Sgt Johnson's patrol car.

Personnel and Budget:

Currently 1 deputy down

No budget concerns at this time.

Respectfully,

Capt. Don Hiller