

# OREGON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## ANNUAL REPORT

2017



### CITY OFFICIALS



Mayor: Ken Williams

City Council: Terry Schuster, Kurt Wilson, Jim Barnes, Tom Izer  
City Clerk: Charlene Ruthe  
Chief of Police: Darin DeHaan

# Current Current Staff

Darin DeHaan – Chief of Police - 21 Years of Service

Shawn Melville – Lieutenant - 20 Years of Service

Randy Cropp – Sergeant - 18 Years of Service

Joe Brooks - Sergeant - 15 Years of Service

Brad Cash- Patrol Officer - 15 Years of Service

Matt Kalnins – Patrol Officer - 11 Years of Service

Tad Dominski – Patrol Officer - 3 Years of Service

Steve Mattas – Patrol Officer - 1 Year of Service

Brian Ketter – Part-time Officer - 5 Year of Service

Tom Lehman – Part-time Officer - 2 Year of Service

Adam Frisbie – Part time Officer – 1 Year of Service

Mary Elliott – Administrative Assistant - 20 Years of Service

## **Our Mission.....**

**Protection** of life and property

**Preservation** of the public peace

**Enforcement** of laws and ordinances

**Arrest** of law violators and assembling competent evidence of the alleged violation

**Promotion** of respect and cooperation of all citizens for the law and those sworn to enforce it

January 9th, 2017

City of Oregon  
115 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Oregon, IL 61061

Dear Mayor Williams and Oregon City Council,

I submit for review the 2017 Annual Report for the Oregon Police Department.

“To recognize always that the test of police efficiency is the absence of crime and disorder, and not the visible evidence of police action in dealing with them.” – Sir Robert Peel

It has always been my law enforcement philosophy that the mission of our agency is to allow our citizens and visitors the benefit of feeling safe and secure in their community. I feel that the goal of every police agency is the absence of crime. With that in mind we strive to create an environment in Oregon where people feel safe and secure in their persons and property.

There are three steps we take daily to accomplish our goal.

- 1) Visibility – always keeping an eye on the community, being approachable, and effectively watchful of community necessities.
- 2) Accountability – Working with the community, being accountable to their expectations, empathetic to their needs, and being both proactive and responsive to issues in our jurisdiction.
- 3) Improvability – Always recognizing that society is changing and being cognizant that we must change as well. Looking for new and better ways to serve our community and never becoming passive in our desire to keep being better.

As we move forward into 2018 we will maintain a dedication to high quality police services. Thank you for the opportunity to continue our service to Oregon.

Sincerely Yours,

Darin J. DeHaan  
Chief of Police

# EMPLOYEES

## NEW EMPLOYEES



Adam Frisbie was hired as a part-time police officer on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Adam is a full-time fireman with the Rockford Fire Department.

## RETIREMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

No retirements or resignations in 2017. It is with sadness that the Oregon Police Department announces the passing of retired Deputy Neil Minnis. Deputy Minnis passed away on July 22, 2017, following a brief illness. Deputy Minnis served with honor and distinction for nearly 42 years, serving several of those years with the Oregon Police Department.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Sgt. Joe Brooks, Officer Tad Dominski, and Officer Adam Frisbie, were issued Letters of Commendation for their efforts in providing CPR to an individual.

Officer Steve Mattas was issued a Letter of Commendation for apprehending a Burglary Suspect who had victimized four local businesses.



Lt. Shawn Melville was honored for 20 years of service with the Oregon Police Department.