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# City of Waverly, TN Department of Public Safety

2010 Annual Report

## Introduction from the Chief



Citizens of Waverly,

It is my privilege to present to you the Waverly Department of Public Safety 2010 Annual Report. This is the first annual report to be compiled by this agency. It is my goal to continue publishing an annual report and to improve content and format each year. This report is an overview of WDPS and includes information about personnel, programs, equipment, and statistics. Although the

report is extensive it is merely a summary of key information and events from throughout 2010.

A police and fire department is not only made up of those familiar icons of patrol cars, fire trucks, station houses, uniforms, and badges. Our departments are made up of men and women who have devoted their professional lives to public safety. It is my honor to applaud the fine officers and civilians of the Waverly Department of Public Safety for their outstanding commitment to excellence and continued support of the department and the Waverly community. As safety professionals we understand the need to be involved in issues that concern our town, its businesses, and neighborhoods. Our job has not changed; it is still to protect and serve our citizens.

The City places a great deal of responsibility on the fourteen full-time members of the department by holding them accountable for the full operation of both law enforcement and fire services within the corporate limits. We are committed to honoring the sacred public trust by ensuring that the Waverly Department of Public Safety adheres to the highest professional standards. We shall continuously strive toward attaining excellence, improving all forms of communication, and providing our employees with effective leadership, supervision, and training in a quality work environment in order to better serve you, our citizens.

I am pleased with the accomplishments and progress summarized in this report. Waverly continues to be one of the safest communities in the state to live, work, and raise a family. I trust that you will find this publication to be informative and a fair representation of the dedication and commitment to service that the sworn and civilian members of the Waverly Department of Public Safety exhibit on a daily basis.

Sincerely,

W. David Daniel

Chief of Public Safety - Police & Fire

# **City of Waverly Officials**

David Vaughn Mayor

Mike Goodman Vice-Mayor

**Buddy Frazier City Manager** 

# **Board of Aldermen:**

Daniel Collier
Phillip M. Fowlkes
Thomasine Hill
Minnie Lou Warren
Bob Wheeler

# **Public Safety Committee:**

Phillip M. Fowlkes, Chairman
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Jess Bowen III
Bill Hodge
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Gene Headrick
Stan McClanahan
Jerry Wright

## **Mission and Values**

### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Department of Public Safety is to maintain the high quality of life enjoyed by our community by ensuring our city is a safe place to live, work and visit. This will be accomplished through safeguarding individual liberties, building community partnerships, and preventing and resolving crime.

#### **Our Values**

We are committed to the mission of our department and conduct ourselves toward a goal of excellence and with dedication to the community we serve.

The values of the Department of Public Safety are centered around people, leadership, service, and professionalism.

#### **People**

The preservation and protection of life is our top priority.

We believe our employees are our most important asset.

#### Leadership

We view all our employees as leaders. We believe in positive leadership with vision towards the future. We will mentor and empower ethical leaders throughout the organization. We will conduct ourselves as leaders in the community.

#### **Service**

We are committed to public service and the improvement of the quality of life in our community, through community partnerships and mutual accountability.

#### **Professionalism**

We are committed to becoming the profession's benchmark, through constant attention to self improvement and development of optimum departmental systems focused on quality performance and results.

# **Department Organization**

The Department of Public Safety employs 28 full and part-time personnel. Because of it's dual purpose mission (both Police and Fire), all police personnel are trained as firefighters. The Public Safety operation is unique among police departments and has proven very effective in the City of Waverly.

In 2010, we employed 13 full time Public Safety (Police) Officers, one records clerk, and 14 part-time Firefighters. Of the 14 part-time Firefighters, four are full time city employees in other departments who received a firefighting pay supplement, and the remaining 10 are community members who are paid per call-out.

The department is directed by the Chief of Public Safety, David Daniel. There are two Captains who direct the Police and Fire Divisions. Captain Grant Gillespie oversees the Police Department's Patrol and Special Operations Division, while Captain Larry Lescure oversees Fire Operations and the Criminal Investigations Division.

The Department of Public Safety operates on a total annual budget of \$1,179,265.00 for police and fire.

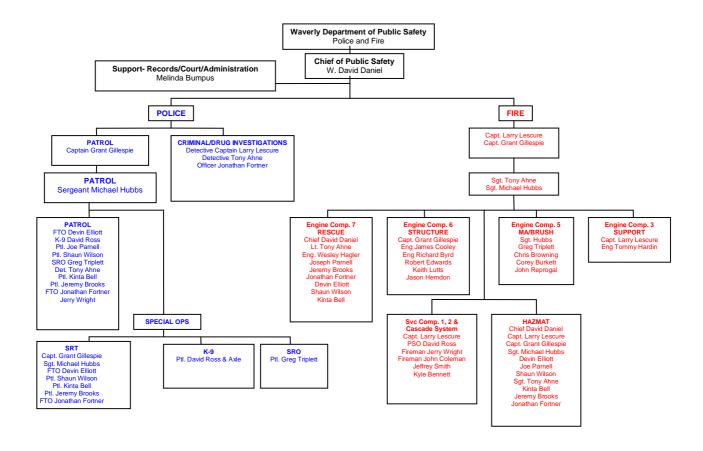








# **Organization/Assignment Chart**



# **Department Vehicle Fleet**

Each Police Officer is assigned a patrol vehicle based on their assignment. Most officers drive police package Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors. Supervisors and Detectives are assigned unmarked or plain vehicles. Each year, the department replaces worn vehicles either through the regular police budget or the special drug fund which is funded through drug fines and forfeitures.

In 2010, we replaced 2 Crown Victoria patrol cars, one with regular budget funds, and the second with insurance claims from a patrol car destroyed during the May floods. Both cars were purchased from Missouri Highway Patrol under their surplus vehicle program. We are able to purchase used patrol vehicles with low mileage at approximately half the cost of a new vehicle. We also purchased a used 2007 Dodge Durango from the drug fund that is assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division.

The Fire Department currently has 4 Fire Engines (Pumpers), two support vehicles, and a retired antique engine used for parades and community events. There were no vehicles added to the fire fleet this year.

<u>Officer</u>	Rank	Car #	Car Make	<u>Mileage</u>
POLICE				
David Daniel	Chief	181	2006 Ford Explorer	34,000
Larry Lescure	Captain	190	2007 Dodge Durango	66,000
Grant Gillespie	Captain	183	2006 Crown Victoria	64,000
Mike Hubbs	Sergeant	189	2006 Crown Victoria	74,758
Devin Elliott	Patrolman	193	2008 Crown Victoria	41,378
David Ross	K9 Unit	184	2007 Ford Expedition	104,451
Joe Parnell	Patrolman	191	2006 Crown Victoria	72,372
Shaun Wilson	Patrolman	188	2005 Crown Victoria	104,932
Greg Triplett	Patrolman/SRO	186	2003 Crown Victoria	104,453
Tony Ahne	Detective	192	2004 Nissan Xterra	71,328
Kinta Bell	Patrolman	185	2005 Crown Victoria	104,266
Jeremy Brooks	Patrolman	187	2007 Crown Victoria	57,434
Jonathan Fortner	Patrolman	182	2004 Crown Victoria	73,826
<u>FIRE</u>				
Engine 1	(Not in Service)	E1	1942 Dodge	Unk
Engine 3		E3	1977 American LaFrance	24,000
Engine 5		E5	1990 Ford	9,200
Engine 6		E6	1999 Freightliner	12,500
Engine 7		E7	2006 Crimson	3,950
Service 1		S1	1985 Chevrolet	65,558
Service 2		S2	2000 Ford Expedition	154,000

# **Police Department – Patrol and Special Operations**



The Patrol Division is led by Captain Grant Gillespie. The Patrol Division handles most calls for service, traffic services and general patrol duties. The Patrol Division includes our K9 Unit, Special Response Team, and School Resource Officer.

#### Members of the Patrol Division are:

Captain Grant Gillespie
Sergeant Michael Hubbs
School Resource Officer Greg Triplett
Officer David Ross and K9 partner Axle
Officer Kinta Bell
Field Training Officer Jonathan Fortner
Field Training Officer Devin Elliott
Officer Jeremy Brooks
Officer Joe Parnell
Officer Shaun Wilson

## **Training:**

In addition to the basic police academy, all officers receive a minimum of 40 hours of in-service training each year. The police department sends each officer to specialized schools that exceed the 40 hour minimum training. In addition, officers attend the fire academy and receive yearly in-service in fire/rescue.

In 2010, we were able to purchase several training weapons which utilize a paintball type round that increases our ability to train realistically in scenario based use of force training.

## **Special Response Team:**

The Special Response Team (SRT) is comprised of specially trained officers who respond to situations outside the normal capabilities of patrol. SRT members are trained in high risk warrant service, barricaded subjects, hostage situations and other unusual occurrences. Members are subject to call-out 24/7 and receive specialized training on a monthly basis.

In 2010, SRT assisted in the apprehension of two murders suspects at a motel near I-40. SRT was activated at the request of the Sheriff's Department and were able to take the suspects into custody without incident. Other activity included serving a drug search warrant on Richland Avenue. that resulted in a large seizure of crack cocaine and other drugs and the indictment of a drug suspect.

# **Police Department – Criminal Investigations**



The Criminal Investigation Division (CID) and Fire Division are led by Captain Larry Lescure. CID is responsible for criminal and drug investigations.

Members of CID are:

Captain Larry Lescure
Detective Tony Ahne
Officer Jonathan Fortner

During the first part of 2010, Detective Ahne was assigned to the Humphreys County Vice Unit along with Detective Hagler from the Humphreys County Sheriff's Department. The Vice Unit conducted major drug investigations in Humphreys County and was a joint effort of the Waverly Police Department and the Humphreys County Sheriff's Department. The unit was responsible for several successful drug prosecutions including the presentation of several federal drug indictments involving the sale and manufacture of methamphetamine. The Vice Unit was in operation for 3 years.

Detective Ahne has been reassigned to CID and conducts drug investigations and works general property and violent crime cases. In 2010, Officer Fortner began sharing his time between CID and Patrol, conducting and assisting with investigations.

CID is also responsible for evidence handling and registration of sex offenders.





# **Fire Department**

The Fire Department is staffed with Public Safety Officers as well as Volunteer Firefighters. Since the DPS was formed in 2004, Police Officers (now called Public Safety Officers) are now all cross-trained as Firefighters which allows the Fire Department to maintain 24/7 staffing. In addition to the PSO's, the department is supplemented by full-time City Employees who are also cross-trained as Firefighters as well as paid volunteers from within the community.

All members of the department attend the Basic Firefighter's Academy and complete monthly inservice training. All members are in on-call status 24/7 to handle fire and rescue calls within the city.

The city maintains 2 Fire Stations in the City of Waverly, one being on the Public Safety Complex at 103 East Main St. and the other on West Main near Hwy 70 West. The current ISO rating of the department is a 4.

Members of the department in addition to the Public Safety Officers include:

Jerry Wright	Jeffrey Smith	Chris Browning
James Cooley	Corey Burkett	Kyle Bennett
Tommy Hardin	Jason Herndon	Wesley Hagler
Robert Edwards	Keith Lutts	John Coleman
Richard Byrd	John Reprogal	

Firefighters Jeffrey Smith and Kyle Bennett joined the department in 2010.

#### 2010 Grants

The Fire Department received a \$3,000.00 TN Forestry Grant to purchase an emergency generator, scene lighting, and flashlights in 2010.

## **Hazardous Materials Response Team**



In 2010 the Department of Public Safety formed a Hazardous Materials Response Team. The team of specially trained members responds to incidents involving hazardous material leaks and spills. The Department purchased a 16' cargo trailer using \$5,000.00 in grant funds obtained from CSX Railroad to support the team's mission.

# **Activity**

The Department of Public Safety responded to 5,962 law enforcement calls for service and 144 fire related calls for service in 2010. Officers made 3,223 traffic stops during the year, and investigated a total of 196 traffic crashes.

The following are reported TIBRS (Tennessee Incident Based Reporting System) offenses for the past 3 years. The 2010 clearance rate for all cases was 76.59 % (meaning cases were cleared by arrest or the offender was identified but not charged).

TIBRS Group A Offenses	2010	2009	2008
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Crimes Against Persons			
Murder	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0
Kidnaping/Abduction	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	0	0	0
Forcible Sodomy	0	0	0
Sexual Assault W/Object	0	0	0
Forcible Fondling	2	4	0
Incest	0	0	0
Statutory Rape	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	2	8	4
Simple Assault	44	43	49
Intimidation	2	0	3
Stalking	1	0	1
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Crimes Against Property			
Arson	0	0	0
Bribery	0	0	0
Burglary	14	11	14
Counterfeiting/Forgery	3	2	8
Destruction/Damage/Vandalism	29	39	37
Embezzlement	1	1	1
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	0
Fraud - False Pretenses	2		
Fraud - Credit Card/ATM	3	0 4	2
			2
Fraud - Impersonation	4	1	1
Fraud - Welfare	0	0	0
Fraud - Wire	0	0	0
Motor Vehicle Theft	2	6	7
Robbery	0	0	0
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	0
Theft - Pocket-picking	1	1	0
Theft - Purse Snatching	1	2	1
Theft - Shoplifting	23	22	29
Theft From Building	7	14	7
Theft From Coin Machine	0	0	4
Theft From Motor Vehicle	4	7	8
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts	2	6	6
Theft - All Other Larceny	19	21	14
Crimes Against Society			
Drug/Narcotic Violations	53	73	52
Drug/Narcotic Violations  Drug/Narcotic Equipment Violations	30	35	37
Gambling - Betting/Wagering	0	0	0
Gambling - Operating/Promoting	0	0	0
Gambling - Equipment Violations	0	0	0
Gambling - Sports Tampering	0	0	0
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	0	0
Prostitution	0	0	0
Prostitution Assisting/Promoting	0	0	0
Weapon Law Violations	3	5	8
Total Group A Offenses	252	305	295

2010 TIBRS Group B Arrests		
Offense	Adult	Juvenile
Bad Checks	0	0
Curfew/Vagrancy	0	0
Disorderly Conduct	5	0
DUI	17	0
Drunkenness	12	0
Family-Non Violent	1	0
Liquor Law Violations	17	5
Peeping Tom	0	0
Runaway	0	0
Trespass	6	1
All Other Offenses	2	0
Total Group B	60	6

2010 Traffic Citations	
Child Restraint	12
Excessive Noise	10
Open Alcohol	28
Insurance Law	109
Railroad Crossing	10
Revoked/Suspended	104
Seatbelt	178
Speeding	440
Traffic Control Device	82
Violation of Registration	123
Other	177
Total	1273

# Police Officer/Firefighter of the Year

Each year, members of the Police and Fire Division vote for an Officer and Firefighter of the Year. The award is taken seriously and is given to the member who best represents what we believe are the values of our organization. The award is presented at the annual holiday dinner sponsored by the City of Waverly.

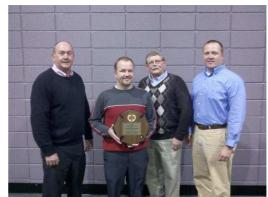
This year's police award was sponsored by Porch-Stribling-Webb Insurance Company. The fire award was sponsored by Volunteer Ready Mix and Vaughn Contractors.

The 2010 Police Officer of the Year was Officer Shaun Wilson. "Shaun was selected by the members of the Department because of the consistent quality of his work. He is a dedicated and hard working officer," said Chief David Daniel. Officer Wilson has been a member of the department for three years.

The 2010 Firefighter of the Year was Firefighter Jason Herndon. Herndon is a part-time firefighter and works full-time as an electrician and an instructor at Nashville State Community College. "Jason is a dedicated member of the Fire Department and is involved in many special projects. He is a hard-worker and is consistently looking for ways to improve himself and the Department," said Chief David Daniel.



Mayor David Vaughn, Officer Shaun Wilson, Dave Porch (Porch-Stribling-Webb), Chief David Daniel



Mayor David Vaughn, Firefighter Jason Herndon, Stan McClanahan (Volunteer Ready Mix), Chief David Daniel

# **Citizens Police Academy**

The Citizens Police Academy runs 11 consecutive weeks including graduation and meets regularly on Tuesdays from 6:00pm until 9:00pm. The academy is held in the WPD training room. The topics covered each week are the same topics covered in the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy in Nashville. The idea is to summarize a week's worth of training into one night. We cover topics such as courts, firearms, defensive tactics, laws, defensive driving, and more. We want the citizens that we serve to get an up close and behind the scenes look at what we do and why we do it.

Session 6 of the CPA was held in February, March and April. Members of the class were:

Scott Baker
Barton Bone
Chris Browning (Top Gun Award)
Karen Collins
Philip Fowlkes
Bruce Glasgow
Robert Graf
Edward Graham

Jason Herndon Mark Langford Odell Nichols Joni Nix Retha Nix Andrew Porch Taylor Porch







# **2010 Special Incidents and Achievements**

## **May Flood**

The City of Waverly experienced a significant flood on May 1, 2010. Within a few short hours, flood waters swept through the city, leaving dozens of families stranded in their homes. Several businesses and residences were damaged or destroyed in the flooding. DPS Officers and Firefighters, along with other city employees worked tirelessly to rescue victims and maintain order during the flooding. Loss estimates in the City of Waverly were over \$4,000,000 to businesses, residences, and city infrastructure. The Fire Hall served as a TEMA service center, where flood victims came for financial assistance, for several months following the flood.





## Captain Gillespie graduates from SECLA



Captain Grant Gillespie attended the Southeastern Command and Leadership Academy, sponsored by The University of Tennessee's Law Enforcement Innovation Center. The Southeastern Command and Leadership Academy (SECLA) is a dynamic seven-week law enforcement leadership and management program designed for progressive and innovative police managers. SECLA prepares mid- and upper-level supervisory personnel for the increased

responsibility of administrative command positions by providing them with the knowledge and skills necessary for successful leadership in their agencies and communities. The 8 week command and leadership school was held at UT-Chattanooga and included both on-campus and distance learning.

The tuition for the school was paid through a scholarship from UT and the TN Association of Chiefs of Police.





# WJHS 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Visit

Each year, the 4<sup>th</sup> grade class from Waverly Junior High School visits the Department for a field trip. This year, the students enjoyed a K9 Demonstration, tour of the Police Department, 911 Center, and Fire Hall. The kids enjoyed hot dogs served by staff from the Police Department and 911 Center.







## Officer Jonathan Fortner Completes Criminal Investigation Training

Officer Jonathan Fortner completed an 80-hour Criminal Investigation training course at the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training academy. The two-week comprehensive investigation training is designed to provide the officer with the knowledge and skills to carry an investigation through all phases of the process to a successful conclusion.

Areas of emphasis include: interview & interrogation, case file preparation, TBI's Criminal Intelligence Unit/Fusion Center, domestic terrorism, arson investigation, computer forensics, internet crime, latent prints, firearms & ballistics, documenting, photographing and sketching crime scenes, death investigation, and search & seizure law. Officer Fortner splits his duties between the Patrol Division and Criminal Investigations Division.

## **DPS Utilizes New Radio System**

A new state of the art radio system was installed in Humphreys County. The system utilizes trunking technology to make the best use of available frequencies. It was built with grant money from Homeland Security funds and local cost share, and is a shared system with the Region 7 Homeland Security District which includes Humphreys, Dickson, Houston, Cheatham, Robertson, Stewart and Montgomery counties.

The system allows officers to operate on a common radio system in the event of a multijurisdictional major incident, and to maintain contact with our local dispatchers in the event we are in other counties. The system has four tower locations in Humphreys County and is shared by all first responders in the county. The Department of Public Safety began migrating to the system in December and all law enforcement agencies in the county are currently on the system. In 2011, Humphreys County Fire and EMS agencies will join the system.

## **TASER Program Completed**



The department began acquiring TASERs in 2004 in limited quantities. The Police Department completed its TASER assignment program in 2010, resulting in each patrol officer being issued a TASER device. TASER's allow officers to incapacitate dangerous or violent subjects from a distance - regardless of the physical size of the officer and

regardless of the size, strength and mental state of the subject. Officers must complete a certification course and receive on-going training in TASER use and the appropriate use of force.

## **Coin Recognition Program**

Chief Daniel began a recognition program this year in which officers who perform "above and beyond" their normal duties are awarded a departmental "Challenge Coin." The coins have the Police Department patch and badge on them.

## **TML Safety Partners Grant**

The Police Department received a grant from the Tennessee Municipal League's Risk Management Pool under their "Safety Partners" program. The program is used to enhance workplace safety and can be used to purchase employee safety equipment. The Police Department purchased new ANSI compliant traffic vests and raincoats as well as an Automatic External Defibrillator (AED). AED's are carried by on-duty officers and are used to deliver an electric shock to patients in cardiac arrest. The grant amount was for \$2,000.00 and was a 50% matching grant.

## **Highway Safety Grant**



The Police Department received a \$5,000.00 grant from the Governor's Highway Safety Office under their High Visibility Law Enforcement Campaign. The grant was 100% and enabled the department to purchase an in-car video system from Watchguard Video. The system records to DVD and enhances traffic safety by recording traffic stops such as DUI's. With this year's grant, the department was able to migrate away from VHS tape to DVD technology in all its patrol cars.

## **DARE Award**

Officer David Ross and his K9 partner Axle received this year's 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial District Attorney's DARE award. The award is for special recognition of someone who has contributed to Anti-Drug efforts in our judicial district. The award was presented during the Waverly Junior High School DARE graduation.





## **Website and Facebook**

We maintain a website at <a href="www.waverlypublicsafety.com">www.waverlypublicsafety.com</a> that features information about the department, as well as news updates of interest to the community. This year, we launched a Facebook page to better allow interaction with an ever growing on-line community.





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