

**HAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
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Newsletter & Commission Report  
March 2014

PERSONNEL & TRAINING

- Deputy Patrick McGawley completed his 13 week basic academy course in Pierre but I have not received his certification yet. In April I will ask that you advance him one grade level and increase his pay by \$0.50 / hour (\$14.52 to \$15.02).
- Office manager Tammy Hofman has completed her initial six month probationary period. As such I am asking that you advance her one grade level and raise her pay from \$9.15 to \$9.40 per hour. \*In May of 2013 I asked the board to consider changing the step increase to \$0.50 / hour but the minutes reflect no action being taken either for against the suggestion.
- The open deputy sheriff (COPS GRANT) position remains open. I have three applicants and possibly one more depending on the applicant. I expect to make an offer in the coming weeks.

**Training:**

- Tammy Hofman, Nehemia Volquardsen & Colleen Peterman all traveled to Pierre to take required training on "Terminal Operator" which is mandated for those who operate the teletype system. We received delinquencies on our federal audit because these three employees were not certified. This training is now required of all employees.

**Policy Manual:**

- No activity

EQUIPMENT

**GENERATOR:** The transfer switch was installed and tested. The contract for maintenance was signed and submitted as the other vender did not show up and offer a bid. The technician who tested the switch said that having the motor oil changed locally would probably cost us more in the long run because testing of the generator itself is the main expense.

GRANTS

**The 2013-2014 Highway Safety Grant :** There is a mandatory meeting for the next grant period coming in March. Both Patrick McGawely and I are asked to attend. We have part of the items we are to purchase through the grant on hand and are waiting for the remainder to arrive.

**BVP / Vest Grant:** No news.

**2009-2014 COPS GRANT** program: The grant application and reimbursements requests are current. The last payment request has not arrived yet.

## **IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES:**

My **YEAR TO DATE** activity report is attached to this newsletter. This information is also uploaded to the sheriff's page on the Hand County Website. It can be reviewed at any time.

## **NECOG**

I attended the NECOG Development Corporation board meeting, the NECOG executive board meeting, the NECOG Council meeting, all on February 26, 2014.

I was nominated and elected vice-chairman of the NECOG executive board. The discussion was on housing and assistance in doing housing studies and planning.

More information can be found at [www.necog.org](http://www.necog.org). I encourage you to visit the NECOG website.

**Hand County Sheriff's Office, Report of Monthly Activity (2004 to Present)**

| Activity by period:                | 2004        | 2005        | 2006        | 2007       | 2008        | 2009        | 2010        | 2011        | 2012        | 2013        | 2014 (Year to Date) |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--|--|
| Case Reports / Responses           | 456         | 480         | 483         | 306        | 488         | 553         | 461         | 558         | 580         | 416         | 59                  |  |  |
| Sheriff's Returns (Process Served) | 234         | 207         | 254         | 260        | 262         | 391         | 246         | 260         | 199         | 204         | 38                  |  |  |
| Pistol Permit Applications         | 76          | 78          | 80          | 98         | 99          | 109         | 105         | 100         | 145         | 180         | 17                  |  |  |
| Accidents (No injury)              | 115         | 97          | 101         | 87         | 90          | 98          | 101         | 99          | 112         | 76          | 5                   |  |  |
| Accidents (w/Injury)               | 7           | 11          | 13          | 1          | 2           | 10          | 12          | 10          | 13          | 11          | 2                   |  |  |
| Accidents (w/Fatality)             | 4           | 1           | 0           | 0          | 3           | 0           | 0           | 0           | 1           | 2           | 0                   |  |  |
| Traffic Tickets Issued             | 77          | 84          | 67          | 61         | 16          | 51          | 107         | 157         | 87          | 132         | 0                   |  |  |
| Traffic Warning Tickets Issued     | 60          | 23          | 40          | 28         | 10          | 25          | 138         | 268         | 117         | 341         | 0                   |  |  |
| Writs of Execution / Judgment      | 40          | 30          | 24          | 25         | 28          | 43          | 51          | 71          | 69          | 46          | 40                  |  |  |
| Distress Warrants for Taxes        | 2           | 2           | 2           | 5          | 2           | 3           | 4           | 6           | 5           | 4           | 2                   |  |  |
| Unattended Deaths                  | 4           | 2           | 2           | 0          | 3           | 3           | 3           | 2           | 4           | 2           | 0                   |  |  |
| Hand County Warrants Open          |             |             | 44          | 2          | 50          | 55          | 62          | 54          | 51          | 57          | 57                  |  |  |
| <b>Totals</b>                      | <b>1075</b> | <b>1015</b> | <b>1110</b> | <b>873</b> | <b>1053</b> | <b>1341</b> | <b>1290</b> | <b>1585</b> | <b>1383</b> | <b>1471</b> | <b>220</b>          |  |  |

**Persons in Held in Jail or Detention**

|                        |     |     |     |     |    |    |   |     |     |     |    |  |  |
|------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|----|---|-----|-----|-----|----|--|--|
| Adult Prisoners        | 50  | 41  | 4   | 6   | 20 | 18 | 0 | 21  | 17  | 13  | 1  |  |  |
| Juveniles in Detention | 2   | 0   | 2   | 0   | 1  | 2  | 1 | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0  |  |  |
| Prisoner Days          | 675 | 855 | 774 | 186 | -  | -  | - | 180 | UNK | 288 | 62 |  |  |

**Financial Report**

|                                     |             |             |             |             |             |             |             |            |            |            |            |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--|--|
| Accounts Receivable to Jail         | \$14,515.00 | \$21,202.12 | \$28,377.12 | \$27,409.62 | \$27,437.12 | \$28,907.12 | \$30,753.80 | \$1,125.74 | \$1,375.74 | \$1,065.74 | \$815.74   |  |  |
| Jail Restitution Received           | \$2,820.00  | \$4,325.00  | \$3,545.00  |             | \$4,805.00  | \$1,980.00  | \$1,413.62  | \$1,820.00 | \$350.00   | \$1,885.00 | \$1,000.00 |  |  |
| Revenue from Sheriff's / Other fees |             |             | \$4,153.18  | \$4,730.76  | \$4,166.51  | \$6,662.54  | \$5,055.89  | \$4,553.75 | \$3,305.01 | \$3,901.23 | \$776.54   |  |  |

**Accident Damage Information (Does not include medical expenses)(Sheriff's Office Only)**

|                                       |              |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 2004 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$351,357.60 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2005 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$344,269.90 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2006 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$439,364.90 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2007 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$396,975.67 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2008 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$280,457.52 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$433,199.00 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2010 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$394,084.34 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2011 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$384,380.41 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2012 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$490,103.99 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2013 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$282,716.57 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014 Vehicle Accident Property Damage | \$27,407.11  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

When "UNK" appears this is because the records can not be validated yet. Some records were maintained correctly or information was loaded in the wrong area.