

# Bethlehem Authority Police Report

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1. Director Repasch and I attended the annual Source Water Protection Plan Stakeholders Meeting this month. Attendance was lower than last year, but the meeting went very well.
2. The deer archery season is still showing lower hunter numbers than other years. One evening a hunter called needing assistance with a shot deer that made it under a reservoir fence before dying. I arrived and assisted with the recovery.
3. This year's bear archery season did not show any difference in hunter traffic on the property. The season runs 3 weeks simultaneously with the deer archery season. Only 1 bear was taken from our property so far this year.
4. One day on patrol a bird watcher that frequents the area informed me he had just seen 9 bald eagles seated on the Penn Forest Dam. A lot of birders park along the roadway next to the Penn Forest Reservoir fence to view Birds on the lake and Dam wall. I offered to take him into the parking lot where he could get a better view of the water, but he had to decline.
5. This past month the City Maintenance Supervisor and I patrolled several areas in the Wild Creek and Penn Forest watershed. We discussed options for installing additional gates at several locations on the property. I pointed out the need that, even though ATV/ UTV issues remain relatively low, these gates would help limit any future access.