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TO: SUPERVISOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FROM: NELSON J. CANNON, CHIEF OF POLICE
SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT SINCE MARCH 2026 MEETING
DATE: April 9, 2026

Finally some decent Spring Weather. There's no doubt about this past winter having everyone down, but those who keep track of these kind of things, now report that there was a significant increase in the number of days that the snow accumulated, it was very cold or the wind/whiteout conditions were present. Not a little, but but a lot; a 25% increase. Everyone has had enough of our Winter Wonderland; time to move on; there's nothing new to see here. A sure sign of Spring is the Potato Trucks at Lott's Warehouses; it's close.

Went to pick up the new Snowmobile Trailer and it wasn't ready; still waiting for the traction material to be installed; they suggested it would be ready next week. Taffeltown has been on reduced hours, but they do advise me in advance when they will be open. Recently they hosted their Annual Easter Dinner, which was sold out. Working with KSO to satisfy a MSP Record Management System (RMS) requirement; more to follow.

KMHC completed their first Board Retreat; well attended, great speaker and exercises that brought the Board together; very interesting and well done. I'm attaching the Talking Points from the February 24th Board Meeting. Just completed the second in person Training Session for the MHA Fellowship; this will be completed in June of this year.

No Park Board Meeting; everyone was on Spring Break. Still working with DNR regarding our pending reimbursement requests; there is one way that we have not already tried to satisfy their review. I will be discussing with Ken/Terri next week. Will also be turning the power on in the Park so that our Camera System can be reactivated. Up to Park Reservation #4-26. Nothing definitive from Sinclair as to when they start; originally it was hoped to be the first week in April, but the weather got in the way. Ground work and erecting the playground will be done before May 1st; the ground has to be 45 degrees for the rubber ground cover; we're obviously not there yet. I've lost my volunteer contractor for the earthwork because of the delays. We're not alone; they have project in the UP that will be months behind schedule. Majority of the updated demographic info for Master Plan has been compiled; have also found a survey instrument for public input.

Preliminary April 2026 Activity to Date:

892-110-26 MDOP Roadway/Juveniles
892-111-26 Suspicious Vehicle/Trespassing-Smithville
892-112-26 Taffeltown/Bar Check
892-113-26 Department Assist/GFD-Traffic Control
892-114-26 Planning & Zoning Meeting/Special=Traffic Safety
892-115-26 Michigan Heritage Foundation Board Meeting