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Fort St. John Mayor and Council,

May 2025 Policing update

The following information is provided as the May 2025 Fort St John Detachment update on crime statistics, police activity, and new developments within the detachment operations and administration.

DETACHMENT RESOURCE REPORTING

For the month of May 2025, the detachment is operating with 4 x SOFT (temporary) vacancy and 5 hard vacancies which include:

- 1 member is off duty sick, 2 members are on Parental leave, 1 member is on administrative leave.
- 2 Serious Crime Constable positions are vacant, 1 position vacant in municipal traffic and 2 are vacant in general duty.
- Two members transferred out in May, there is an incoming new member to Fort St John expected in June.
- 2 experienced members have been identified and are slated to arrive at the end of Summer.

CRIME TREND REPORTING

Over the period from January 1st to the end January 2025, there were a total of 1063 calls for service. This is DOWN from 1110 calls for service when compared to the same time period in 2024, or a decrease of approximately 4%. Of those 1063 files, 876 of the calls for service were within the City of Fort St John and 187 calls for service were within the rural surrounding area.

An uptick in theft of vehicle over \$5000 was observed this reporting month from 7 vehicles reported in April to 10 vehicles reported in May. Of note 3 of the reported stolen vehicles were located in other police jurisdictions south of Fort St John. Also, notable, 5 of the stolen vehicles were Ford pickups, F150, F250 and F350 series. An increase in theft from vehicles from 9 in April to 19 in May is also seen. Of note, charges have

been forwarded on a suspect that will clear several of the theft from vehicle reports. Another suspect had been identified as being responsible for theft from vehicle in the downtown area, and may be responsible for other similar incidents where vehicles were not secured and became easy opportunity. A media release was done to assist in informing and educating the public to remember to secure their vehicles to detour the thefts from vehicles.

The Municipal Drug Unit and the Municipal Crime Reduction Unit has been very busy with proactive and responsive policing. In April 2025 in two separate investigations 2 subjects were arrested with possession for the purpose of trafficking controlled substances (PPT). Amounts of cocaine, fentanyl, methamphetamine and diverted prescribed alternatives were seized in one instance and in the other investigation cocaine and methamphetamine were seized. Both matters the investigations are continuing and charges are being requested.

In May 2 subjects were arrested with a loaded firearm and PPT amounts of cocaine. In another investigation 1 subject was arrested with PPT amounts of cocaine. Both these investigations are ongoing and charges are expected to be recommended.

Additionally, in May our plain clothes units took carriage of 3 targeted shooting investigations. The investigation at the first site led to the arrest of 1 Revoii subject (Repeat Violent Offending Intervention Initiative). From the initial investigation, an off-shoot investigation initiated that led to the seizure of 1 handgun and 1 set of body armour. These series of investigations are ongoing.

For your awareness, ReVOII is a program in BC, led by BC Corrections, the Repeat Violent Offending Intervention Initiative (ReVOII) brings together police, dedicated prosecutors and, probation officers to provide early interventions in cases involving repeat violent offending and where appropriate, connect individuals with services they need to help break the cycle. Once an individual has been identified for the program, probation officers develop a personalized case management plan that includes interventions to address the individual's unique and complex needs. Individuals will also experience a higher intensity of community supervision, and an increase in monitoring/surveillance by police. Police and probation officers work together to provide prosecutors with detailed information to support decision making regarding charge assessments and prosecutions. In cases when an individual is released from custody, enhanced case management and release planning tailored to their specific needs is completed by a dedicated correctional supervisor and probation officer that are located within each provincial correctional centre.

Sincerely,

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