



Berkley Police Department
Incident Report

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Incident #: 24-84-OF
Call #: 24-2854

Date/Time Reported: 03/28/2024 1155
Report Date/Time: 04/02/2024 1048
Status: No Crime Involved

Reporting Officer: Deputy Chief Arthur Newhook
Approving Officer: Deputy Chief Arthur Newhook

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

#	INVOLVED	SEX	RACE	AGE	SSN	PHONE
1	COCHRANE, WENDY ***** *****	F	W	59	*****	*****

Military Active Duty: *

DOB: *****

PLACE OF BIRTH: *****

LICENSE NUMBER: ***** ETHNICITY: NOT HISPANIC

2	MARCHAND, HOLLY K ***** *****	F	W	33	*****	*****
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Military Active Duty: *

DOB: *****

PLACE OF BIRTH: *****

LICENSE NUMBER: ***** ETHNICITY: NOT HISPANIC

3	ALMY, HEATHER JEAN ***** *****	F	W	49	*****	*****
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Military Active Duty: *

DOB: *****

PLACE OF BIRTH: *****

LICENSE NUMBER: ***** ETHNICITY: NOT HISPANIC

EVENTS (S)

LOCATION TYPE: Government/Public Building Zone: Common
3 NORTH MAIN ST
BERKLEY MA 02779

1 Disturbance

#	PERSON(S)	PERSON TYPE	SEX	RACE	AGE	SSN	PHONE
1	KATZ, LEXIS O ***** ***** DOB: *****	WITNESS	F	W	22	*****	*****

#	OTHER PROPERTIES	PROPERTY #	STATUS
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1	VIDEO OF INCIDENT QUANTITY: 2 SERIAL #: NOT AVAIL DATE: 04/02/2024	24-23-PR VALUE: \$1.00	Evidence (Not Nibrs Reportable)
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NARRATIVE FOR DEPUTY CHIEF ARTHUR F NEWHOOK

Ref: 24-84-OF

Entered: 04/02/2024 @ 1057 Entry ID: AFN110
Modified: 04/03/2024 @ 0918 Modified ID: AFN110
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On March 28, 2024 at approximately 1145 hrs Deputy Chief Arthur Newhook had just exited the Accountants Office at the Berkley Town Hall and was heading for the exit. The Deputy Chief was then met in the hallway by Holly Marchand (Asst. Town Administrator) and Heather Almy (Town Clerk). Ms Marchand seemed distraught and Mrs Almy told the Deputy Chief that they were over the Public Safety Building speaking with fire and when they left Wendy (Cochrane) entered the building and that there was an argument with her yelling at them. Ms Marchand seemed upset about the interaction and stated that she could not deal with her. Wendy Cochrane (Treasurer/Tax Collector/ Select women) then came down the hall from the same direction as Ms Marchand and Ms Almy, which at that point they abruptly ended the conversation and stated that they had to get back to work.

Mrs. Cochrane stated that she heard that Ms Marchand and Ms Almy went over to the Police Station to make a complaint about her harassing people, so she went over to say her side of the story. She stated that she feels that she is the one being harassed. Mrs Cochrane stated that emails are being sent to her opponent in the election, which are items that should not be released. She indicated that she had already contacted the Secretary of State and the Ethics Board on these issues as well. The Deputy Chief advised her of her rights to an HPO and advised her if she had any issues with town documents being released, that shouldn't be, she should contact the Supervisor of Public Records. Deputy Chief Newhook advised her that no complaint was received by him but he would check at the station when he returned.

Deputy Chief Newhook then returned to the station and spoke with Dispatcher Lexis Katz, who stated that there was an argument in the vestibule area of the station between the females (Marchand, Almy and Cochrane). Dispatcher Katz indicated that the argument was started by Mrs Cochrane. After the argument was over Mrs Cochrane came into the station to see the Deputy Chief, when he was not here she stated to Dispatcher Katz " I know he is here", but then left.

Deputy Chief Newhook then reviewed the video of the incident (no audio), which shows Mrs Cochrane come into the vestibule from the front entrance while Ms Marchand and Ms Almy exit the Fire Department side into the vestibule approx 5 sec later. There is a verbal interaction which last approx 30 sec then Ms Marchand and Ms Almy exit the building and Mrs Cochrane comes into the lobby.

Deputy Chief Newhook then contacted Mrs Cochrane via telephone and advised her that Ms Marchand and Ms Almy were in fact visiting the fire department prior to the altercation, they were not there to file a complaint at the police department about her.

Deputy Chief Newhook later contacted Chief Christopher Baker about the incident. Chief Baker requested the Deputy Chief save a copy of the video of the incident, write a report on the incident and obtain a witness statement written by Dispatcher Katz.

Deputy Chief Arthur Newhook

**** Portions of this report have been redacted ****

To: Chief Baker
From: Lexis Katz, Civilian Dispatcher
Subject: Cochrane/Almy/Marchand

On the date of 3/28/2024 at approximately noon (1200hrs); there was a Disturbance in the lobby between three parties from 1 North Main St, in which work at the Town Hall. Heather Almy and Holly Marchand came into the station requesting to speak with the Fire Chief. I let both parties in, soon following Wendy Cochrane entered the front door of the station. Wendy Cochrane's demeanor towards both Heather and Holly seemed not as warm but rather pompous. Wendy abruptly broke out into an argument with both parties due to them talking badly about her, in which she was upset because it seemed that they were coming over to the Police Department to make a complaint about her. Both Heather and Holly stated that they were not at the station about her, but to speak with the Fire Chief. ; Parts of the conversation with Heather and Holly were very faint. Wendy then spoke with myself in the Lobby window asking to speak with Dept. Chief Newhook. I politely responded to her that "I would see if he was in the building". As I walked to Dept. Chief Newhook's room there was no sign of him being visibly available in the building; as he was out on the road in his cruiser. Then I proceeded to walk back to the Lobby window and recite the information that "Dept. Chief Newhook is currently not in the building and on the road right now", Wendy then proceeded to answer in an ill-mannered way. She replied back as if she was superior and demanded that "she needed to speak with him and that she knows he is here", walking away, flinging her arms in a dramatic gesture, and out of the station. Shortly after the Disturbance, Dept. Chief NewHook walked in and I explained to him the situation that transpired.



Lexis Katz