ALTONA POLICE SERVICE

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ALTONA SEPTEMBER 2026 POLICE ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

On the 1st of September police received a call to conduct a well being check on a male who just crashed his bike on 7th Ave NE. Police attended but did not locate the male. From descriptions received, Police believed they knew who the male was and attended to his residence. The male confirmed he in fact did crash his bike, but that he was fine.

On the 2nd of September Police were called to a thrift shop due to complaints of persons going through their after hours donation drop offs. Video was obtained, with the complainant wishing that a barring notice be served.

On the 2nd of September Police, as part of their Offender Management Program, conducted a curfew check on a male who was previously released from custody, on conditions, pending his court disposition. The male was not at his residence as required, and had not been at the residence for a couple of days. A warrant was obtained for the male, who was later arrested by a neighboring agency, and remanded into custody.

On the 4th of September Police were called to a residence in relation to a guest causing a disturbance. Police attended, however the offending party had already left. Police patrolled the area and located the female walking to her residence. The female was warned about attending to the complainants residence.

On the 4th of September Police were advised by a concerned citizen that there was a female unconscious on the sidewalk on Centre Ave East. Police located the female and determined she was too intoxicated to care for herself. The female was lodged until sober, and released without charges.

On the 5th of September Police were called to a residence for an intoxicated female causing a disturbance. Police attended and located the female. It was determined that the female was highly intoxicated, and was not capable of caring for herself. The female was lodged until sober, and released without charges.

On the 6th of September Police were called to a local apartment complex for a fire alarm. Upon arrival, Police were advised all residents were safely evacuated. Altona Fire conducted a search, and determined the alarm was false.

On the 7th of September, at approximately 1:30 PM, police were on patrol when they had the opportunity to conduct a traffic stop along Centre Ave. The subject vehicle accelerated quickly and attempted to flee south bound on Hwy 30. The vehicle was then noticed turning off of Hwy 30 into the Village of Altona. The vehicle continued to flee when it turned north bound onto Railway St, where speeds were excessive. The driver attempt to turn onto a residential street, but failed to negotiate the turn and ended up driving across a yard and striking a tree, disabling the vehicle. The driver then attempted to flee on foot, and was eventually located hiding in a yard a short distance away. Several area residents witnessed the male fleeing and directed police to his hiding location. A 22 yr old male from Gretna has been charged with flight from police, and operating a motor vehicle while prohibited.

On the 8th of September police were called by the local hospital, in relation to a male who came in seeking help for mental health issues. The male decided to leave without speaking to a mental health professional, and the hospital was concerned for his safety. Police were able to determine that the male was currently in Morris Mb. Morris RCMP were advised.

On the 8th of September police were called to assist in guarding a patient, who was brought in by Morris RCMP. The male had attempted to leave the facility on several occasions. Police became involved in a minor altercation with the male on his last attempt to walk away. The male was finally seen by a mental health professional on the 9th of September. Police were required to guard the male the entire time.

On the 9th of September Police received a call of fraud. The victim advised he noticed money was moving around in his different accounts, and then an e-transfer was completed, where $3,500 was transferred out. His financial institution locked down his account, and were working on having the transfer reversed.

On the 9th of September Police assisted Altona Fire Department with a tree fire in the south west section of town.

On the 10th of September Police were called to a local business as an unknown male stole liquor from the store. Police reviewed security video and patrolled the area. Police located the male riding a bike nearby. A 33 yr old male from Winnipeg was arrested for theft and being intoxicated in a public place. Police later learnt that the male had also stolen the bike while in Altona. The male advised he had been dropped off in Altona approximately two hours ago by the Emerson RCMP. The male was held until sober, and turned over to relatives in Winnipeg.

On the 17th of September Police were called the area of Highway 30 south of 4th Ave SE. The caller advised their was an elderly man confused and walking around the area.

Police located the male and transported him back home. Family members were contacted and returned home in order to assist. Police were informed by family that the male was suffering from dementia.

On the 19th of September Police were called about a male dressed in black, walking in the middle of highway 30 and attempting to flag down motorists. Police patrolled the area but could not locate the male.

On the 19th of September, while on patrol, police observed a vehicle traveling backwards along 6th Street SE. The vehicle stopped at the intersection of Centre Ave E and then continued reversing north bound down 6th St NE. Police conducted a traffic stop and it was determined that the vehicle was no able to operate in any forward gear. The vehicle was parked until arrangements could be made for a tow truck to attend and pick up the vehicle.

On the 19th of September Police were called by a concerned citizen in relation to a highly intoxicated female. Police patrolled the area and located the female and a male walking down the street. The male, also intoxicated was the subject of a court imposed release order, with conditions to not consume alcohol. The male was arrested for failing to comply with a release order. The female was transported to her boyfriends fathers residence, where a sober adult agreed to care for her.

On the 20th of September Police received reports of a person with a mask and hoodie using a flash light to look inside parked vehicles, along 2nd Street SE.

On the 20th of September Police were called to a local business for concerns with an intoxicated female. Police attended but were advised the female left with a male. Police patrolled the area and located the two intoxicated persons. The 27 yr old male from Gretna., who is known to police, was on court imposed conditions of release, for charges before the court, and was in breach of those conditions. He was arrested and charged with failing to comply with release conditions. The 18 yr old female was turned over to a sober individual.

On the 20th of September police were called to assist EMS with a non responsive adult female. Police were advise by other persons present that the 47 year old female had been at the local hospital earlier in the day, but left before she was cleared to do so. CPR was conducted on the female. The female became responsive, and was able to speak to first responders. She refused all further assistance, and refused to go to the hospital.

On the 22nd of September Police were called to a local service station as a driver had taken off without paying for fuel. As police were reviewing the video, the driver returned and advised staff he just forgot to pay, and when he realized, returned. The driver paid for his fuel.

On the 22nd of September Police were called to a residence for a non responsive male. CPR was initiated. EMS attended and the 29 year old male was transported to an area hospital.

On the 23rd of September Police were conducting the offender management program, whereby they check persons on court imposed conditions to ensure that the conditions are being followed. An adult male was checked, and was not at his residence, as he was suppose to be. The male later turned himself into police, where he was arrested and then released on an undertaking, charged with failing to comply with release conditions.

On the 24th of September Police assisted Altona Fire Department with a fire alarm in the north west section of town. Fire determined that the alarm was faulty, and there was not fire.

On the 26th of September Police received a call from a male visiting Altona, requesting assistance in locating his cousin, who is wandering around Altona highly intoxicated. Police patrolled the last known area the subject was, and located the male. The male was determined to be unable to care for himself, and he was arrested and held until sober.

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