

- public safety -

East Brookfield Police Log

During the week of June 29-July 4, the East Brookfield Police Department responded to 155 building/property checks, 99 directed area patrols, 22 radar assignments, nine traffic controls, nine emergency 911 calls, one citizen assist, one assist other agency, one stolen motor vehicle, one illegal dumping, one complaint, two animal calls and 55 motor vehicle stops in the town of East Brookfield.

Monday, June 29
5:49 a.m. 911 Misdial, Harrington Street, Officer Handled
3:25 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
5:47 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
6:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Howe Street, Written Warning
7:16 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued

Tuesday, June 30
6:43 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
5:23 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Citation Issued
5:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
7 p.m. Traffic Control, East Main Street, Citation Issued
7:10 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
7:39 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Citation Issued
10:12 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, West Main Street, Citation Issued

Wednesday, July 1
12:04 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
11:12 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, North Brookfield Road, Citation Issued
11:39 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
11:49 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Vehicle Towed

12:19 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Podunk Road, Citation Issued
12:37 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Podunk Road, Citation Issued
12:44 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Podunk Road, Citation Issued
12:55 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
1:11 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
1:54 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
2:07 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
2:14 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
3:28 p.m. Assist Other Agency, Connie Mack Drive, Officer Handled
4:32 p.m. Radar, Route 49, Citation Issued
4:35 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Route 49, Citation Issued
4:43 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Route 49, Citation Issued
5:33 p.m. 911 Misdial, Drake Lane, Services Rendered
6:59 p.m. Illegal Dumping, Lakeview Avenue, Officer Handled

Thursday, July 2
12:07 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
5:41 a.m. Fire/Alarm, East Main Street, Investigated
6:16 a.m. Fire/Alarm, North Street, Investigated
9:11 a.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Pleasant Street, Transported to Hospital
2:31 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, South Pond Road, Patient Refusal
5:27 p.m. Stolen Motor Vehicle, West Main Street, Services Rendered
7:03 p.m. Radar, Route 49, Citation Issued
7:07 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Route 49, Citation Issued
7:49 p.m. 911 Misdial, Jean Avenue, Services Rendered
9:41 p.m. 911 Fire/Oth-

er, East Main Street, Services Rendered
Friday, July 3
7:23 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
7:38 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
8:01 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Mechanic Street, Citation Issued
8:11 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
8:46 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
8:53 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
9:03 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
9:19 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
10:22 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
10:38 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
10:52 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
11:35 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
12:18 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Cottage Street, Citation Issued
2:50 p.m. Assist Citizen, West Main Street, Officer Handled
6:33 p.m. 911 Fire/Other, Adams Road, Services Rendered
8:46 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued

Saturday, July 4
9:10 a.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued
12:08 p.m. 911 Complaint, Route 49, Unfounded
1:25 p.m. 911 Medical Emergency, Wildwood Road, Transported to Hospital
5:47 p.m. Directed/Area Patrol, Howe Street, Arrest(s) Made
7:33 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, East Main Street, Citation Issued

New Braintree Police Log

During the week of July 7-13, the Hardwick/New Braintree Police Department responded to 20 building/property checks, 24 directed/area patrols, seven radar assignments, two traffic controls, one emergency 911 call, two citizen assists, one complaint, two safety hazards, three animal calls and six motor vehicle stops in the town of New Braintree.

Tuesday, July 7
11:18 a.m. Assist Citi-

zen, McEvoy Road, Services Rendered
12:56 p.m. Safety Hazard, West Brookfield Road, Services Rendered
Wednesday, July 8
6:24 a.m. Safety Hazard, West Brookfield Road, Referred to Other Agency
2:22 p.m. Assist Citizen, Memorial Drive, Officer Handled

Friday, July 10
4:50 p.m. Motor Vehicle

Stop, Hardwick Road, Written Warning
5:03 p.m. Motor Vehicle Stop, Hardwick Road, Written Warning
9:52 p.m. Complaint, Memorial Drive, Officer Handled

Sunday, July 12
7:51 a.m. 911 Misdial, Moore Road, Spoken To
4:26 p.m. Suspicious Activity, Unitas Road, Investigated

- public notices -

INVITATION TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL
The Town of West Brookfield, Massachusetts, will receive sealed proposals for:
Route 9 Reconstruction, Phase III:
From Pierce Road to The State Highway at Cutler Road
Contract #612779-2
The Town of West Brookfield, acting through its Department of Public Works, is requesting proposals from MassDOT pre-qualified individuals and firms for the design, and engineering consulting services for Route 9 Reconstruction, Phase III: From Pierce Road to the State Highway at Culter Road. The consultant will work with the Town and the community to develop a project design that is advanced into construction ready documents. The consultant will design, prepare construction plans, specifications, construction cost estimates, prepare and obtain all required permits and approvals as necessary, and provide

bidding and construction phase services for the project in accordance with all MassDOT and FHWA requirements. The goal is to have the project constructed with funding through the Central Massachusetts MPO's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
The Request for Qualifications (RFQ) may be obtained from West Brookfield Highway Department (agarwood-hampp@wbrookfield.com), 15 Front St., West Brookfield, Massachusetts, during normal working hours from Tuesday, July 15, 2026 until the expiration of the time for the filing of the proposals.
Sealed, Responses to the RFQ will be received by the office of the Highway Department, 15 Front St., West Brookfield, MA 01585, **until 10:00 A.M. Local Time on Monday, August 24, 2026.** Proposals delivered after the appointed time and date will not be considered.
The proposer agrees that this proposal shall be good and may

not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) calendar days after the proposal deadline. The Contractor must comply with all applicable federal, state and local law and regulations. Five (5) hard copies of the RFQ proposal and one (1) electronic copy of said proposal on a USB flash drive shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked **"RFQ - Contract # 612779-2 Route 9, Phase III Reconstruction"**.
The Town reserves the right to cancel any request for qualifications, and to reject in whole or in part any and all proposals, when it is deemed in the best interests of the Town to do so.
Theresa A. Cofske, MCPPO
Town of West Brookfield,
Town Administrator
07/17, 07/24/2026



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was collecting dependent benefits from the deceased person's SS record. In rare cases, a dependent parent may be paid if no other surviving dependents are eligible. FYI, ex-spouses are not eligible for a death benefit from a former spouse.
The lump-sum death benefit must be applied for by contacting Social Security and the benefit must be claimed within two years of the person's death. You will need to verify your identity and confirm your eligibil-

ity for this survivor benefit and you will need to provide other information about the deceased also including a death certificate.
There is an SSA form to apply for the lump sum death benefit (SSA-8), but calling your local SS office or 1-800-772-1213 to make an appointment to apply for the one-time lump-sum death benefit in person is usually all that is needed.
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