

interoffice

MEMORANDUM

to: Eileen Kelly, Town Supervisor
from: Daniel P. McCann, Chief of Police
subject: Disciplinary Action Recommendation
date: March 24, 1997

Regarding an incident that occurred on March 1, 1997 at 5:13 pm, involving Officers Dominick Blasko and John Avery. On this date Police Vehicles 7F210 and 7F214 were involved in an accident at the intersection of rt..52 and Boniface drive, copies of the MVA report are attached. I have investigated this accident and have determined that Officer Blasko acted in an Over aggressive manner in performing his duties regarding a traffic violation. This action in my opinion was unnecessary and over zealous and should be dealt with in a disciplinary manner.

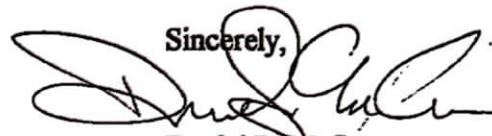
In keeping with disciplinary action procedures, I feel that I have already verbally counseled Officer Blasko regarding his aggressive driving tendencies in past incidents. I would recommend at this point a letter of reprimand to Officer Blasko's Personnel file for a specified period of time concerning his aggressive driving, and should any further incidents occur that it may result in suspension or dismissal. I would also recommend that he be required to attend a defensive driving course.

Regarding Officer Avery as a result of the investigation I find that Officer Avery was unaware of the actions of Officer Blasko and that Officer Avery was unable to avoid the accident. However I have counseled Officer Avery regarding attention to good defensive driving practises, and would recommend that Officer Avery also attend a Defensive driving course, with no other action.

I apologize for the timeliness of this recommendation unfortunately I have been unable to forward this sooner do to recent medical issues I have had to deal with.

Thank you for your patients and attention on this manner.

Sincerely,



Daniel P. McCann
Chief of Police

cc: Town board
Police advisory board
Copies To Bill
For Mike & Don

New York State Department of Motor Vehicles POLICE ACCIDENT REPORT

DMV USE

MV-104A (4/84)
DMV COPY

Accident Codes
97-0315

1	Accident Date 03 01 97 Mo. / Day / Year	Day of Week SAT	Time 5:13	<input type="checkbox"/> AM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM	No. of Vehicles 2	No. Injured 0	No. Killed 0	Non-Highway <input type="checkbox"/>	Not Investigated at Scene <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Lat. Scene <input type="checkbox"/>	Police Photos <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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2	VEHICLE 1 Driver Name - exactly as printed on license BLASKO, DOMINICK L				VEHICLE 2 Driver Name - exactly as printed on license AVERY, JOHN F JR				DMV USE			
Address (Include Number & Street) THOMSON RIDGE NY 10985				Address (Include Number & Street) PO BOX 109				DMV USE				
City or Town State Zip Code THOMSON RIDGE NY 10985				City or Town State Zip Code PINE BUSH NY 12566				DMV USE				

3	Date of Birth 1-1-1	Sex M	Unlicensed <input type="checkbox"/>	No. of Occup. 1	Public Property Damaged <input type="checkbox"/>	State of Lic. NY	Date of Birth 1-1-1	Sex M	Unlicensed <input type="checkbox"/>	No. of Occup. 1	Public Property Damaged <input type="checkbox"/>	State of Lic. NY
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4	Name - exactly as printed on registration TOWN OF CRAWFORD				Name - exactly as printed on registration TOWN OF CRAWFORD				DMV USE			
Address (Include Number & Street) PO. BX 109				Address (Include Number & Street) PO. BX 109				DMV USE				
City or Town State Zip Code PINE BUSH NY 12566				City or Town State Zip Code PINE BUSH NY 12566				DMV USE				

5	Plate Number 7F-214	State of Reg. NY	Vehicle Year & Make 1995-Chevrolet	Vehicle Type Police	Ins. Code 238	Plate Number 7F-210	State of Reg. NY	Vehicle Year & Make 1997-Ford	Vehicle Type Police	Ins. Code 238
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Check if involved vehicle:

- is a commercial motor vehicle
- is more than 95 inches wide
- is more than 34 feet long
- was operated with an overweight permit
- was operated with an overdimension permit

ACCIDENT DIAGRAM

VEHICLE 1 DAMAGE

VEHICLE 2 DAMAGE

6	Reference Marker	DMV USE ONLY	County CRAWFORD	City/Village/Town CRAWFORD
Ticket/Arrest Number(s)			Nearest intersecting Route/Street ROUTE 205	
TICKET/ARREST <input type="checkbox"/> OPR 1 <input type="checkbox"/> OPR 2 <input type="checkbox"/> PEDESTRIAN <input type="checkbox"/> BICYCLIST <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER			Violation Section(s)	

Accident Description/Officer's Notes: **See Attached Description**

8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
A	B	C	D	E	F	G																OPR #1
																						OPR #2

SIGNATURE	Officer's Rank and Name Dave [Signature]	Badge No. 10357600	Department FL2	Princt/Post Troop/Zone TCPD	Station/Beat Sector	Reviewing Officer	Date/Time Reviewed
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MVA 97-0315

Date: 3/01/97

Time: 5:13 pm

Description of MVA.

Vehicle one and Two traveling East on rt.. 52, prior to the intersection of Boniface drive vehicle one observed a traffic violation of speeding 53 mph in a 30 mph zone. Vehicle one made a right turn into Boniface drive, while activating the overhead emergency lights he made a left turn back into the intersection of Rt.. 52 in front of vehicle two traveling east at which time vehicle two was unable to avoid vehicle one. Impact occurred in the north east corner of the intersection.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. J. [unclear]". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial letter.