



"The mission of the Mequon Police Department is to provide a safe environment through professional, efficient, and effective police services."

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Patrick T. Pryor
Chief of Police

A message to the community from Chief Patrick Pryor of the Mequon Police Department.

Our staff here at the Mequon Police Department has been discussing the death of Mr. George Floyd, and we share in your anger and shock at his treatment by police and his subsequent death. We extend our prayers and condolences to his family.

The Mequon Police Department of 2020 is focused on building strong relationships within our community. Our success as a police department has come from our close partnership with our residents. We will work even harder to build those relationships, as the unrest we are seeing around the country is heartbreaking to the dedicated officers here at MPD.

The Mequon Police Department places a strong focus on training and education for our staff. In the last year, we have updated all our department policies and procedures, and we have implemented regular training on them. Over the last several years, our officers have been trained in crisis intervention, de-escalation and most recently, we conducted refresher training in emergency detentions to help us deal with people in mental health crisis. In addition, our department has several instructors certified by the State of Wisconsin to teach our officers on topics including 'Use of Force'-The amount of effort required by police to achieve compliance, 'Emergency Medical Care'- First aid practice to rescue injured citizens as well as injured officers, and 'Legal Updates' – Information provided by the District Attorney and staff regarding new legislation and law changes impacting officers.

We at the Mequon Police Department work hard to maintain trust and transparency with our community. A tragic event like the death of Mr. Floyd can permanently damage the trust communities have in their police departments. Our officers want you to know that we do not take your trust for granted and we will work hard to maintain and, if needed, gain or re-gain, your trust.

We are here as your partner and we will work together to keep our community safe. We strive to learn from all events and to become better servants of the community. Thank you for the support you have given us throughout these difficult times.

Sincerely,

Patrick Pryor