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# **MONTHLY LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT TO THE ENNIS TOWN COMMISSION**

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With spring on the way (hopefully) this month I am going to address parking:

Ennis Town Code Chapter 7 Section 7 and Montana Code Title 61 Chapter 8 Part 3 is where the bulk of all parking regulations are found for the Town of Ennis and The State of Montana. Here is a brief summary:

You cannot stop, stand or park your vehicle:

- on a sidewalk;
- in front of a public or private driveway;
- within an intersection;
- within 15 feet of a fire hydrant;
- on or within a crosswalk;
- within 20 feet of a crosswalk at an intersection;
- within 30 feet upon the approach to any flashing beacon, stop sign, or official traffic control device located at the side of a roadway;
- on the roadway side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street;
- upon any bridge or other elevated structure upon a highway or within a highway tunnel;
- at any place where official traffic control devices prohibit stopping.

Vehicles shall not be parked within an alley in such a manner or under such conditions as to leave available less than ten feet (10') of the width of the roadway for the free movement of vehicular traffic. Vehicles shall not be parked within an alley in such a position as to block the driveway entrance to any abutting property.

Vehicles or any other equipment shall not be parked upon any street or alley for the principal purpose of: Displaying such vehicle or equipment for sale or washing, greasing, or repairing such vehicle or equipment, except repairs necessitated by an emergency.

Method of Parking - Parallel: Motor vehicles shall, on all streets within the Town, be parked parallel with the edge of the curb of said street within two feet (2') of said edge or curb (property line), except as noted herein. Diagonal: Motor vehicles on East Main Street and the South side of the 100 Block West Main Street shall be diagonally parked in accordance with the markings placed upon those streets by the Town or Montana Department of Transportation.

Speed Signs are still working but the data remains elusive due to the Windows, speed sign program, and Bluetooth issue.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please ask, my door is always open, email is available, and my phone is on.

"Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak. Courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen." — Winston Churchill

**SYNOPSIS:**

During the month of March 2023, law enforcement responded to 51 incidents and/or calls for service. The Ennis Police Department issued 40 citations, issued 49 warnings, and fingerprinted 9 people for various non-criminal background checks. This month's speeding citations averaged 20 MPH over the posted speed limit.

**INCIDENTS AND CALLS FOR SERVICE:**

Date	Location	Agency	Nature of Call	Disposition	TIME
3/1	W Main St	EPD	Theft	Closed	D
3/1	Comley	EPD	Dog Complaint	Closed	D
3/1	E Armitage	EPD	VIN Inspection	Closed	D
3/1	US287	EPD	Driving while License Suspended	Closed	D
3/1	Nicole	MCSO	Wildlife Complaint - Moose on the Loose	Closed	D
3/2	Lions Park	EPD/MCSO	Suspicious Person	Closed	D
3/2	Nicole	EPD	Wildlife Complaint - Big birds eating little birds	Closed	D
3/2	E Main St	EPD	Vandalism	Open	D
3/2	S Third St	EPD	Abandoned Vehicle	Closed	D
3/2	Nicole	FWP	Wildlife Complaint - Moose in yard	Closed	D
3/5	US287	EPD	Traffic Complaint	Closed	D
3/5	W Main St	MCSO	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	N
3/6	W Main St	EPD	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	D
3/6	E Main St	EPD	Vandalism	Open	D
3/6	E Main St	EPD	Agency Assist - Public Works	Closed	D
3/7	Madison	EPD	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	D
3/7	E Main St	MCSO	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	N
3/8	Mirza Way	EPD	Encroachment Violation	Closed	D
3/9	MT287	EPD	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	D
3/10	Charles	EPD	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	D
3/10	US287	EPD	Motorist Assist	Closed	D
3/10	Comley	EPD	Crash - Truck vs Stop Sign	Closed	D
3/10	Pearl St	EPD	Dog Complaint - Lost Dog	Closed	D
3/10	W Hugel	MCSO	Welfare Check	Closed	N
3/12	Centennial	EPD	Agency Assist - FWP - Wildlife Complaint	Closed	D
3/14	N Main St	MCSO	Crash	Closed	N

3/15	Armitage	MCSO	Dead Deer Complaint	Closed	D
3/16	W Main St	EPD	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	D
3/17	W Steffens	EPD	Agency Assist - Ambulance	Closed	D
3/18	S First	MCSO	Crash - Hit & Run - Truck vs Fire Hydrant & Sign	Open	N
3/18	Mirza Way	MCSO	Public Assist - Intoxicated Pedestrian	Closed	N
3/18	US287	EPD	Traffic Complaint	Closed	D
3/18	S Third St	EPD	Vandalism	Open	D
3/18	US287	EPD/MCSO	Traffic Complaint	Closed	D
3/19	Big Sky Dr.	EPD	Agency Assist - MCSO - Assault	Closed	D
3/20	Comleyville Rd	EPD	Agency Assist - MCSO - Burglar Alarm	Closed	D
3/21	US287	EPD	Crash - Rollover	Closed	D
3/21	E Main ST	EPD	Noise/Odor Complaint	Closed	D
3/21	Charles	EPD	Truancy Complaint	Closed	D
3/21	W Fagin	EPD	Threats / Disorderly Conduct	Closed	D
3/21	Otis Ave	MCSO	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	N
3/22	Madison	EPD	Civil Service	Closed	D
3/22	Undisclosed	EPD	Sexual Abuse of Children	Open	N
3/23	N Main St	MCSO	Noise Complaint	Closed	N
3/24	Charles	EPD	Panic Alarm	Closed	D
3/24	Madison	EPD	Fraud	Closed	D
3/24	Jack Creek Road	EPD	Agency Assist - MCSO - Standby Domestic Violence	Closed	D
3/26	MT287	EPD	Dogs at Large	Closed	D
3/28	E Ennis St	EPD	VIN Inspection	Closed	D
3/30	Charles	EPD	Disturbance	Closed	D
3/30	Charles	EPD	Suspicious Circumstances	Closed	D

**D = Day Call 0600-1800    N = Night Call 1800-0600**  
**42 Day Calls and 9 Night Calls**

**EPD CITATION ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY:**

Traffic Citations-	
Speeding	24
Stop Sign Violation	2
Improper Passing – No Passing Zone	1
Driving while License Suspended	1
No Insurance	1
Failure to Yield Right of Way	1
Expired Registration	1

Criminal Citations-	
Disorderly Conduct	1
Privacy in Communications	1
False Reports to Law Enforcement	1
Truancy	1

Ordinance Violations-	
Use of Marijuana in Public Place (Lions Park)	1

**EPD PARKING TICKET ENFORCEMENT SUMMARY:**

Across Lines on East Main	1
Parked within a Crosswalk	1
Parked on Roadway Obstructing Traffic	1
Parked where Official Signs Prohibit	1
Parked on a Sidewalk	1

Northern Lights in Ennis March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 at 2210 hours

