

City of Brewer Police Department

## **Media Information Release**

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On 6/1/2020 the Brewer Police Department initiated an investigation based on a report from Brewer Deputy Mayor Thomas Morelli that an unauthorized person gained access to his Facebook profile and posted racist comments under his account or under a false duplicate account. These posts were made in reference to protests occurring over the killing of George Floyd.

Due to the social media comments, complaints threatening in nature to the City of Brewer, and in light of the sensitivity of these posts, on 6/1/2020 the Brewer Police Department made a public announcement based upon information available at the time while continuing its investigation into the origin of the contents.

During the course of its investigation, the Brewer Police Department established information that Morelli had posted the comments and made a false report to the Brewer Police Department. Morelli has been issued a summons for making a False Public Report by investigators.

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