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Immigration protest tests police resources

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Next
Meeting is
June 28th, 7pm
@ Village Hall

On Tuesday May 14th, Broadview officers responded to the US Immigration building on Beach St. for a peaceful protest in the street in front of the building. Prayer vigils at this location are a regular event, and most of the time police presence is not necessary. Occasionally though, these prayer vigils become an exercise in civil disobedience when participants refuse to comply with local ordinances with regard to traffic flow or private property violations.

At these times, it becomes necessary to enforce the ordinances in a measured and respectful way. The protection of physical safety, property, and civil liberties are our main responsibilities in situations like this. With no advanced knowledge of this particular protest, our officers worked quickly and efficiently to organize an effective response.

It was "All hands on deck" with Command Staff and Detectives on scene to assist. Officers from NIPAS (Northern Illinois Police Alarm System) Field Force were called on to assist when protesters locked their arms together using PVC tubing and refused to move from the street. Several arrests were made without incident and no injuries were reported.

Special thanks to ILEAS, NIPAS, the Fire Department and Broadview Public Works for their quick response and assistance.

