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It is with deep sadness the Dexter Police Department announces the passing of our beloved Police Canine Bard. Bard underwent a surgery on June 27, 2019 regarding a piece of metal in his paw. The surgery went well, and Bard was at home recovering with his handler. During the evening hours on 0613012019, his handler discovered Bard deceased in his kennel.

On July 1, 2019, the Dexter Veterinary Clinic performed the Necropsy where it was discovered Bard had an infection of his intestines, resulting in vomiting which led to him aspirating, causing the death of Bard.

After the investigation and the results of the Necropsy, no foul play was suspected, and this is an unfortunate event.

The Dexter Police Department would like to express sincere appreciation and gratitude to the Stoddard County Coroner Kenny Pope, Greg Mathis with Rainey Mathis Funeral Homes and The Dexter Veterinary Clinic for going beyond the scope of their professions to assist our department during this difficult time.

Please keep Officer Forkum and the Dexter Police Department in your thoughts and prayers.

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