Letter to parents - Child Custody Exchanges

Relationships can be difficult and when things don't work out between two people things can become very stressful when it comes to kids and visitation.

The Minneota Police Department doesn't take sides in these situations but we can help by doing what is called a "Civil Standby". This is when we go to the location where the exchange will take place and act as a witness and peace keeper between parents, extended family and friends. Our goal is to ensure that the exchange takes place peacefully.

If you would like to have us present during your next child custody exchange please call me at 507-360-7864 or the Lyon County Sheriff Department at 507-537-7666. Call at least two hours before the scheduled exchange so that we can make sure someone will be there. If your situation has a history of being unpleasant then it may be time to sit down with me and discuss your options. Again, I don't take sides but I can be a positive, calming and supportive help to both sides.

Sincerely,

Chief Bill Bolt