



Officer Avoids Serious Injury in Late Night Incident *Suspect Outstanding on Felony Warrant and Multiple Charges*

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-April 2, 2022-On Thursday March 31, 2022, at approximately 10:40pm, a Steamboat Springs Police Officer was following up on a request for extra patrol in the area of 2600 Jacob Circle. The request was due to several vehicles parking in the area, people possibly sleeping in those vehicles, and trash and human waste outside being left outside.

“This confrontation could have been much more violent and is a reminder of the dangers our officers face in the course of their duties,” said Police Chief Sherry Burlingame. “I’m proud of how our officer and department responded to the incident and commend everyone involved on their actions. Fortunately, our officer was not injured.”

Earlier Thursday evening the officer observed signs someone was living in a storage unit, and he subsequently arrested a woman for a warrant. During his second patrol, the officer saw a male sitting in a parked Chevrolet 250 pickup truck near the same storage unit.

As the officer attempted to contact the driver, the driver started to back up. The officer yelled, “stop,” and ran towards the driver’s door, but the driver continued to reverse. The driver then accelerated forward nearly striking the officer who quickly moved out of the way. The individual continued to speed away, striking a marked patrol car in the driver’s side rear quarter panel, and then impacting the front quarter panel, damaging the patrol car.



The officer was able to identify the driver and officers located the suspect vehicle the following day, Friday, April 1. The suspect is still outstanding but has been identified as Lewis Dickerson. Dickerson is wanted for a felony warrant out of Missouri. He also faces multiple charges including attempted vehicular assault, reckless endangerment, reckless driving, and criminal mischief.



If you know the location of the suspect, do not approach him, but call 9-1-1 and immediately report to law enforcement. Anyone with additional information regarding this case or any other crime is encouraged to contact the Steamboat Springs Police at 970.879.1144.

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