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Press Release

Incident Numbers: 20004394

Date/Time: 4/09/2020 9:00am

Suspect Arrested for Possession of Methamphetamine

On 04/03/2020 at approximately 1:00am Big Lake Officers were dispatched to a possible burglary in progress at a residence. The homeowner was not at the residence but was able to observe a male in the residence with a security camera located inside the home.

When the officers arrived, they observed two adult males standing next to a vehicle and saw lights were on inside the residence. Officer Silas Reek made contact with one of the males, Yia Xiong (Age 35 – Robbinsdale, MN). Xiong stated they were at the residence to fix the radon system his technician had been working earlier that day.

As Officer Reek spoke to Xiong he asked if he had any weapons. Xiong indicated he had a firearm in a black pouch attached to his belt and stated he had a permit to carry. Officer Reek secured the firearm and asked if he had any other weapons. Xiong stated he did not have any other weapons and allowed Officer Reek to search his person.

During the search Officer Reek located a pipe used to consume methamphetamine and a clear plastic baggie containing a white crystal substance. Both were in the black pouch the firearm was located in. Xiong confirmed the substance was methamphetamine. The substance field tested positive for methamphetamine and weighed 4 grams.

The officers verified Xiong had a permit to carry and verified with the homeowner he had workers coming to the residence. However, the homeowner did not expect them to be at the residence at that time of night.

Xiong was arrested and transported to the Sherburne County jail. He was charged by criminal complaint with; 5th Degree Controlled Substance (Felony).

