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**BIG LAKE POLICE
DEPARTMENT**



790 Minnesota Avenue, Big Lake MN, 55309

Incident Number: 17-8710

Date/Time: 9/14/2017

Methamphetamine Arrest

On September 8th at about 1:30 pm, Officer Jason Oltmanns was on routine patrol when he observed a vehicle traveling south on Eagle Lake Road. In following this vehicle, Officer Oltmanns observed the driver turn onto Pleasant Avenue in a rushed manner, park abruptly, and exit the vehicle. When Officer Oltmanns approached, he observed a male and female standing in an adjacent yard. Officer Oltmanns questioned the two about what was taking place. The two stated they were involved in an intense fight, and it was no longer safe for them to drive a vehicle. In speaking to the driver, Officer Oltmanns believed he exhibited signs of ingesting narcotics. In examining the vehicle they were driving, Officers could detect a faint odor of burning marijuana.

Officer Oltmanns requested Sergeant Hayen and Canine Bruno to conduct a dog sniff of the exterior of the vehicle for potential narcotics. Canine Bruno alerted on the vehicle indicating the odor of narcotics. A search was conducted during which time two white baggies containing a white powdery substance was in a purse. The substances weighted a total of 20.96 grams, and field tested positive for methamphetamine. The identification in the purse was that of Nicole Renee McFadden (Age 35 – Clear Lake MN). McFadden was also the passenger in the vehicle where the purse was located.

McFadden was also found to have several outstanding arrest warrants. McFadden was arrested and transported to the Sherburne County Jail where she was charged by criminal complaint with; 3rd Degree Controlled Substance Crime (Felony).

This investigation remains ongoing. Located within the vehicle were numerous items of mail confirmed to be stolen throughout Sherburne and Wright County.