

News Release



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121 Lake Street North, Big Lake MN, 55309

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Armed Robbery at Subway

On September 14 at 09:50 p.m. a lone male entered the Big Lake Subway located at 630 Rose Drive. The male was wearing a black ski mask, and holding a handgun. The male approached an employee at the cash register, demanding that she and the second employee move into the back room. After both employees were in the rear room, they were instructed to shut off the lights. After taking a sum of cash, the male left the store taking with him the employees cell phones, and the stores phone. The employees were instructed not to contact 911 for a period of time. There were no customers in the store at this time nor were the employees physically injured.

When a 911 call was received, The Big Lake Police Department responded to the area along with neighboring law enforcement agencies to attempt to locate the suspect. About this time, a Becker Police Officer attempted to stop a male on a bicycle near the location, to question him. The male fled, dropped the bike and ran on foot. He was not located that night, but was later identified and was found to be unrelated to the Subway Robbery. Canine Units from Princeton, Anoka County, and Elk River were utilized to attempt tracks from both Subway and the location the subject on foot was last seen.

The Big Lake Police Department are asking anyone who noticed suspicious activity near Subway during this time to contact the department at 763-263-2500. It is believed at this time the robbery was a random act and no immediate threat to the public exists. The Big Lake Police Department would like thank; Sherburne and Anoka County Sheriff's Departments, and Police Departments from Becker, Elk River, Princeton.

Updated information will be provided as it become available.



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