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## **BIG LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT**



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790 Minnesota Avenue, Big Lake MN, 55309

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**Incident Number: 17-3507**

**Date/Time: 4/12/2017**

### **Suspect Arrested in Hotel Room Burglary**

On April 11, 2017 at 10:00 pm Big Lake Police Officers Prigge, Kalla, and Norlin were dispatched to the America's Best Inn Hotel in regards to a burglary complaint. On their arrival, Officers interviewed the victim, determining that while they were out of their hotel room, someone had entered and taken several items including prescription medication. The total value of items taken was estimated at \$500. Officers located a witness to what took place, they had seen a female approach the door to the room where the theft occurred, pushing on the door several times, eventually forcing it open. The female suspect, identified as Brittany D. Blades; (Age 34 – Osyka MS) was seen entering the room, then exiting a short time later.

Officers interviewed Blades, 2 year old child was also present. During the interview, Blades indicated that it was the child who had taken the items missing from the room. Officers located the missing items in Blade's room under the bed. In addition to the stolen items, two metal spoons with powder residue, and several hypodermic needles were found. Blades was placed under arrest and transported to the Sherburne County Jail.

Brittany Blades was charged by criminal complaint with; 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Burglary (felony), Theft of Property (gross misdemeanor), and Possession of Hypodermic Needles (misdemeanor).