



# Big Lake Police Department

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## Press Release

**Incident Number: 20006185**

**Date/Time: 05/20/2020 1:15pm**

### **Suspect Arrested for Assaulting Officers**

On 05/15/2020 at approximately 3:10pm Big Lake Officers were dispatched to the area of Pond View Circle on reports that a male had been yelling at people as they passed by and that he ran after the mailman as he was driving by the area.

Sergeant Sam Olson arrived in the area and could hear a male yelling from approximately a block away. As Sergeant Olson rounded the corner, he observed a male, later identified as Mason Rohrer (Age 27 – Big Lake, MN) sitting on a rock at the end of a driveway. Rohrer was yelling and swinging his arms around.

Sergeant Olson exited his squad car and approached Rohrer who stated, "I haven't done anything yet." Rohrer stated he was upset his father would not get him a basketball hoop so he could exercise. Sergeant Olson advised him he was disturbing the entire neighborhood and requested his identification. Rohrer would not comply with Sergeant Olson's commands.

Officer Sam Norlin arrived and identified Rohrer due to previous contacts. Once Rohrer was identified he began walking away from the officers. Sergeant Olson advised him several times to come back, but Rohrer did not comply.

Sergeant Olson got back into his squad car and drove up to Rohrer and advised him he was under arrest for disorderly conduct. Sergeant Olson grasped Rohrer by his wrists at which point he tensed up and began resisting his commands. Officer Norlin and Sergeant Olson continued to try to gain control of Rohrer. Rohrer swung his right elbow or fist and struck Sergeant Olson in the face, near the bridge of his nose. Officers were able to take Rohrer to the ground and take him into custody. Officer Norlin's right knee and right elbow were scraped and bleeding as a result.

Rohrer was arrested and booked at the Sherburne County Jail. He was charged by criminal complaint with; Felony 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assault, Gross Misdemeanor 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Assault, Gross Misdemeanor Obstruct Legal Process, and Misdemeanor Disorderly Conduct.

