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BIG LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT



790 Minnesota Avenue, Big Lake MN, 55309

Incident Number: 17-6322

Date/Time: 7/11/2017

Methamphetamine Arrest

On July 4, 2017 at 1:00 am Sergeant Guy Chaffee was on patrol when he noticed suspicious activity at Big Lake Storage. Sergeant Chaffee contacted and detained several individuals, Officer Joe Kalla arrived as a backup Officer. As Sergeant Chaffee and Officer Kalla were talking to these individuals, they noticed a bag of white crystal substance on the ground. One suspect identified as Christopher Baldwin (Age 40 – Big Lake) was behaving in a manner consistent with being under the influence of a controlled substance.

During a search of Baldwin, a bag of white crystal substance was located, this substance field tested positive for methamphetamine. During the search of an adjacent vehicle, a larger quantity of narcotic substances was located which field tested positive for methamphetamine and heroine. An investigation is ongoing with these items, with charges coming at a later date. After this incident, several storage units were found to have been forcefully entered and items taken. The Sherburne County Sheriff's Department is handling this investigation as these units fall just outside the City Limits of Big Lake.

Baldwin was arrested and transported to the Sherburne County Jail. Baldwin was charged by criminal complaint with; 5th Degree Controlled Substance Crime (Felony).