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BIG LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT



790 Minnesota Avenue, Big Lake MN, 55309

Incident Number: 17-12256

Date/Time: 1/4/2018

Suspect Arrested for Narcotic Sales

On December 27th at 10:00 p.m. Officers Joe Kalla Tom Kucala were on routine patrol in the area of Minnesota Avenue. At this time, Officers Kalla initiated a traffic stop on a vehicle being driven by Salina Marie Nelson Jaquez (Age 18 – Monticello) for an equipment violation. Officer Kucala arrived on the scene to assist with the stop. When Officers approached the vehicle, they observed that there were two occupants. As Officer Kalla was speaking with Nelson Jaquez, he could smell an odor of burning marijuana coming from inside the vehicle.

Officers Kalla and Kucala undertook a search of the vehicle. During the search, officers located multiple bags of marijuana in the glove box, and in a duffle back on the front passenger area. The total weight of the bags of marijuana was 150 grams, it was packaged for sale. Also located in Nelson Jaquez's purse were 5 tables of a substance which field tested positive for being MDMA (ecstasy), 5 tables of a substance field tested positive for tetrahydrocannabinol, a single pill of Oxycodone, and finally a small baggie that contained a white powdery substance which field tested positive for methamphetamine. Also located in the vehicle was nearly \$5,000 in cash. The cash was administratively forfeited as the proceeds of narcotics sales.

Nelson Jaquez was arrested and booked into the Sherburne County Jail, she was charged by criminal complaint with; 5th Degree Controlled Substance Crime (Methamphetamine), 5th Degree Controlled Substance Crime (Marijuana Sale), 5th Degree Controlled Substance Crime (Tetrahydrocannabinol), 5th Degree Controlled Substance Crime (Oxycodone), 5th Degree Controlled Substance Crime (Ecstasy).