

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070107618
Court File No. 07-CR-24-1202

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

GEORGE EUGENE PEPIN DOB: 12/02/1989

101 E Liberty Street #3
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

COMPLAINT

Order of Detention

The Complainant submits this complaint to the Court and states that there is probable cause to believe Defendant committed the following offense(s):

COUNT I

Charge: Drugs - 3rd Degree - Possess - Methamphet/Amphetamine in School/Park/Pub Housing Zone

Minnesota Statute: 152.023.2(a)(6), with reference to: 152.023.3(a)

Maximum Sentence: 20 years or \$250,000, or both

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 04/01/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24008205

Charge Description: On or about April 1, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, George Eugene Pepin did unlawfully possesses one or more mixtures containing methamphetamine or amphetamine in a school zone, a park zone, a public housing zone, or a drug treatment facility.

COUNT II

Charge: Fleeing a Peace Officer By a Means Other Than a Motor Vehicle

Minnesota Statute: 609.487.6

Maximum Sentence: 90 days or \$1,000 fine, or both.

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 04/01/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24008205

Charge Description: On or about April 1, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, George Eugene Pepin, did, for the purpose of avoiding arrest, detention, or investigation, attempted to evade or elude a peace officer who is acting in the lawful discharge of an official duty, by means of running, hiding or any other means other than fleeing in a motor vehicle.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On April 1, 2024, Officer Janak observed George Pepin (DOB 12/02/1989) in an affordable housing and park drug enforcement zone in Blue Earth county. Officer Janak was aware Pepin had a warrant for his arrest and he initiated his squad vehicle lights and sirens to summon Pepin to stop. Pepin, who was on a bicycle, then increased his speed and fled form Officer Janak before crashing. Pepin was taken into custody. Located on Pepin was a glass pipe with a white crystalline residue that field tested positive for methamphetamine.

SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:
(1) arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or
(2) detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings; and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.

Complainant declares under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

Complainant

Daniel Schisel
Police Commander
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3135

Electronically Signed:
04/02/2024 12:54 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney

Todd Coryell
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
04/02/2024 11:46 AM

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

From the above sworn facts, and any supporting affidavits or supplemental sworn testimony, I, the Issuing Officer, have determined that probable cause exists to support, subject to bail or conditions of release where applicable, Defendant's arrest or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court, or Defendant's detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. Defendant is therefore charged with the above-stated offense(s).

☐ SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

☐ WARRANT

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the court (if in session), and if not, before a Judge or Judicial Officer of such court without unnecessary delay, and in any event not later than 36 hours after the arrest or as soon as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available to be dealt with according to law.

☐ *Execute in MN Only*

☐ *Execute Nationwide*

☐ *Execute in Border States*

☒ ORDER OF DETENTION

Since the Defendant is already in custody, I order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the Defendant continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$
Conditions of Release:

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to or signed under penalty of perjury, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer as of the following date: April 2, 2024.

Judicial Officer Kristine Weeks
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 04/02/2024 01:23 PM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

**COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

State of Minnesota

Plaintiff

vs.

George Eugene Pepin

Defendant

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Order of Detention upon the Defendant herein named.

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: