

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070109254
Court File No. 07-CR-24-4254

State of Minnesota,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JARED PAUL CARTWRIGHT DOB: 01/25/1983

31546 169th Street
Huntley, MN 56047

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: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or \$14,000 fine or both.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT II

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or \$14,000 fine or both.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT III

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or \$14,000 fine or both.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT IV

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or \$14,000 fine or both.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT V

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or \$14,000 fine or both.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT VI

Charge: Assault-2nd Degree-Dangerous Weapon

Minnesota Statute: 609.222.1

Maximum Sentence: 7 years or \$14,000 fine or both.

Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did assault another with a dangerous weapon.

COUNT VII

Charge: Traffic - DWI - Refuse to submit to chemical test; Breath or test refusal or failure

Minnesota Statute: 169A.20.2(1), with reference to: 169A.26.2

Maximum Sentence: 364 days or \$3,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright did drive, operate, or was in physical control of any motor vehicle and the Defendant refused to submit to a chemical test of the person's breath upon the request of a peace officer who had probable cause to believe the person to be tested was under the influence.

COUNT VIII

Charge: Traffic - DWI - Operate Motor Vehicle Under Influence of Alcohol

Minnesota Statute: 169A.20.1(1), with reference to: 169A.27.2

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did, drive, operate, or was in physical control of any motor vehicle when he/she was under the influence of alcohol.

COUNT IX

Charge: Traffic - Reckless driving; Drives Consciously Disregarding a Substantial or Unjustifiable Risk

Minnesota Statute: 169.13.1(a)

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did drive any vehicle or light rail transit vehicle while aware of and consciously disregarding a substantial and unjustifiable risk that the driving may result in harm to another or another's property and that risk was of such a nature and degree that disregard of it constituted a significant deviation from the standard of conduct that a reasonable person would observe in the situation.

COUNT X

Charge: Assault-5th Deg-Inflict or Attempt Bodily Harm

Minnesota Statute: 609.224.1(2), with reference to: 609.224.1(2)

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

Offense Level: Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 11/03/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24030820

Charge Description: On or about November 3, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Jared Paul Cartwright, did intentionally inflict or attempted to inflict bodily harm upon another.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On November 3, 2024, at approximately 1:10 AM, officers from Mankato Department of Public Safety were dispatched to the area of 100 East Walnut St. in downtown Mankato on a driving complaint. The complainant, Witness 1, reported that a GMC truck had just tried to run people over. Witnesses provided a license plate number and reported that the vehicle was heading toward Second Street.

Ofc. Noah Koss responded to the scene and spoke with multiple witnesses and victims. Officer Koss spoke with Victim 1. Victim 1 stated that he was at a bar with his friends and that he and his friends got into an argument with the suspect, who would later be identified as Jared Paul Cartwright. Victim 1 stated that during the argument Cartwright slapped him across the face. Victim 1 stated that bar staff kicked Cartwright of the bar.

Victim 1 and his friends eventually left the bar. As they left the bar, they observed Cartwright waiting in his pickup truck. Victim 2 stated that Cartwright was being verbally confrontational and had exited his pickup truck and placed gloves on his hands.

Victim 2 stated a scuffle occurred and that Cartwright then got back into his truck, drove over a flower bed and onto the sidewalk driving at Victim 1 and Victim 2 as well as other Victims 3, 4, 5 and 6. Victim 2 stated he believed Cartwright was trying to run them over. Victim 1 agreed, stating he believed without a doubt that Cartwright was trying to run them over.

Victim 3 provided a similar story to Ofc. Koss. Victim 3 stated that Cartwright came "blazing," at approximately 30 mph driving over curbs at the victims. Victim 3 stated he took cover behind a pillar for his safety. Victims 4, 5 and 6 provided consistent statements about Cartwright driving his vehicle at them and believing that Cartwright was attempting to run them over.

Ofc. Koss then watched CCTV footage that had caught the incident. Officer Koss noted that the victims can be seen leaving the bar at around 1:02 AM. Cartwright can be seen exiting his truck and putting on gloves while walking at the victims. Cartwright is then seen shoving Victim 3.

The victims and Cartwright then get into what appears to be a shoving match. Cartwright then gets back into his truck and drives over the landscaping continuing on the sidewalk toward the victims. Officer Koss noted that it appeared that Cartwright was driving fast. Cartwright then abruptly stops the pickup truck and gets out and it appears that a verbal exchange then continues.

Ofc. Jordan Janak responded to the driving complaint as well. Ofc. Janak observed the GMC truck turning southbound on the S. Second St. with no headlights activated. Ofc. Janak initiated the traffic stop at the intersection of second Street and Hickory Street.

Ofc. Janak spoke with the driver, who was identified as Cartwright. Cartwright stated he was coming from "downtown" and heading home. Cartwright stated he had an argument with some young college kids but stated he did not run anyone over.

Ofc. Janak noted several signs of intoxication including bloodshot/watery eyes and an odor of a consumed alcoholic beverage. Cartwright stated that he had four whiskeys while at the bar.

Ofc. Janak had Cartwright perform several field sobriety tests all of which Cartwright failed or performed poorly. Ofc. Janak had Cartwright submit to a PBT the result of which was .135. Ofc. Janak transported Cartwright to the Blue Earth County jail where he read Cartwright the implied consent advisory. Cartwright

was then given time to contact an attorney. Cartwright, when asked, would not provide an answer as to whether or not he would take the test. Ofc. Janak determined Cartwright's behavior to be a refusal.

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

Jeff Knutson
Sergeant
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3148

Electronically Signed:
11/04/2024 12:17 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

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

Prosecuting Attorney

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

Electronically Signed:
11/04/2024 12:08 PM

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: November 4, 2024.

Judicial Officer Mark Betters
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 11/04/2024 12:37 PM

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

**COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

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Plaintiff

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Jared Paul Cartwright

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: