



TROY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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TROY POLICE ARREST MAN FOR HOME INVASION, ARSON, RESISTING ARREST

Call for fire alarm leads officers to bloody scene, suspect

Troy police officers arrested a suspect for home invasion, arson and resisting and obstructing an officer on Saturday, July 25 after responding to a report of a fire alarm and smoke investigation in the 1900 block of Somerset at approximately 8 a.m.

Officers responded to the initial call for a fire alarm. They arrived on scene and found a bloody scene on an apartment deck, including a large, bloody kitchen knife, and an open door with a ripped screen. A trail of blood led to a nearby apartment building where officers discovered a trail of blood and broken glass that led to an open apartment, where the suspect was ultimately located.

Officers were met by a screaming, nude man, covered in blood with a towel wrapped around one of his hands. When officers told the man to exit the apartment, he slammed and locked the door. Officers forced the door to the apartment open, and attempted to handcuff the man. The man resisted and an officer tasered the man one time. The man got up, charged at officers and attempted to escape. An officer deployed a taser again and the man was taken into custody.

Paramedics were called to the scene to treat an injury to the man's thumb sustained prior to officers' arrival as well as evaluate the man's agitated state. Due to behavior consistent with "excited delirium," the man was sedated by paramedics and transported by Alliance Mobile Health to Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital.

During the investigation on scene, Troy dispatch received one call about a nude man walking around the area and acting strangely. Officers later learned from witnesses that the man had been walking around the apartment complex grounds with an AR-15 earlier.

Further investigation showed that the suspect earlier broke into an apartment and tried to set a fire by placing flammable items on a stove burner. Officers located a bloody rifle in that apartment. The resident was not home at the time and it was believed this apartment was chosen by the suspect at random.

Alexander James Raymond of Troy, 31 years old, was arraigned on charges of Home Invasion - 3rd Degree, Arson - 5th Degree, and three (3) counts Resist/Obstruct Police Officer. Raymond was arraigned yesterday at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital by Magistrate Morad. Bond was set at \$100,000 cash or surety. He was turned over to the Oakland County Sheriff's Office for confinement at the Oakland County Jail.

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