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B&E Arrest Made

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Jacksonville Police Chief Mike Yaniero credits an arrest made on Saturday to “the outstanding teamwork of the officers assigned to the day and evening patrol shifts and the Communications Division” of the Jacksonville Police Department.

During the early morning hours of Saturday, February 6th, Jacksonville Police officers conducted a registration check of a vehicle entering the parking lot of the Waffle House on Western Boulevard. The vehicle and its operator, identified as Nebraska Watkins, Elm Street, Jacksonville matched an earlier witness description of a B/E suspect and vehicle operating in the Brynn Marr neighborhood of Jacksonville.

Watkins was found to be in possession of items consistent with items reported stolen from a residential break-in. In addition, Watkins was found to have outstanding warrants on file.

While processing the vehicle for impoundment for the registration violations, officers located additional property that was reported stolen during the residential burglary.

Watkins was charged with Felony Breaking and Entering (1 count), Larceny After Breaking and Entering (1 count) and Felony Possession of Stolen Goods/Property. He remains in custody at the Onslow County Jail under \$12,000 secured bond.

Chief Yaniero stated that “the thoroughness of the officer’s investigation, as well as the descriptions of the vehicle and the person furnished by the witness, provided law enforcement with the vital information to bring the subject into custody.”

Citizens can report suspicious activity to Jacksonville Police at 455-4000.

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Nebraska Watkins

21 years old

516 Elm Street

Jacksonville

Breaking and/or Entering (F) (1 count)

Larceny After Breaking/Entering (1 count)

Possession of Stolen Goods/Property (F) (1 count)

\$12,000 secured bond

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