

Pursuit, shots fired, land man in jail

(KAIR)--A high speed pursuit, including shots fired, leads to one arrest after it came to an end in Doniphan County.

According to a news release from Wathena Police Chief Jared Ratzlaff, it happened on the afternoon of June 1, with the pursuit beginning in Cameron, Missouri.

Wathena Police were notified of the chase by Missouri authorities and became involved as the suspect vehicle traveled just east of the Wathena City limits.

Continuing on U.S. Highway 36, the vehicle, on the west edge of Wathena, left the road and went into a ditch in what the release said was an attempt to pass another vehicle. The driver, identified as Michael Moses, drove out of the ditch and hit the pursuing Wathena Officer's patrol vehicle on the front passenger side bumper.

After the collision, Moses allegedly drove back into the ditch, and the officer maneuvered his vehicle to keep Moses from reentering the highway.

Moses, of Kansas City, Missouri, was arrested shortly before 2:00.

According to the release, the pursuit began after a Missouri officer attempted to stop Moses in connection with a case of shoplifting at the Cameron Wal-Mart.

Moses was booked into the Doniphan County Jail. His bond is set at \$100,000.

Moses made his first appearance in Doniphan County District Court Wednesday.

According to the court clerk's office, he is charged in two separate cases.

In the first case, Moses is charged with a felony count of fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer and a misdemeanor count of reckless driving.

In the second case, he is charged with a felony count of aggravated battery on a law enforcement officer, fleeing or attempting to elude, and reckless driving.

According to the release from Wathena Police, Moses also faces a DeKalb County, Missouri charge of 1st degree armed assault.

A preliminary hearing is set for June 19.

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