Falls City Police take suicidal man into custody

(KLZA)-- Shortly before 11 Thursday night Falls City Police Officers were dispatched to the 1600 block of Abbott Street for a suicidal subject.

When officers arrived the found a man sitting outside his house pouring gasoline on himself and threatening to light himself on fire.

Officers spoke with the man for an hour and were able to convince him to put down the lighter at which point he was taken into protective custody with no one being hurt.

The subject was transported to Community Medical Center where he was decontaminated and treated. The man was then transported to the Lancaster County Crisis Center for treatment.

In a press release, the Falls City Police Department recognized Sergeant Mike Dougherty and Officers James Wason and Mitchell Cheek for their actions to bring a safe resolution to a dangerous situation.

The Falls City Volunteer Ambulance Squad and Falls City Volunteer Fire Department were on standby during the event.

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