



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: April 27, 2018

Complaint Numbers: 18-117062

18-119578

Type of Incident: Armed Robbery

18-119701

Reporting Officer: Det. Ryan Thome

Supervisor Approval: D/Sgt. Ben Cammenga

On April 9, 2018, at approximately 1:40 AM, the Kent County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to the Citgo gas station located at 250 76th St. SW in Byron Township on the report of an unarmed robbery. The store employee reported the suspect approached the counter with an item to purchase. When the cash register was opened, the suspect physically pushed the employee back and stole cash from the register.

Upon review of video surveillance, investigators were able to develop 57 year old Christopher Lloyd Boulle as a suspect. Attempts to locate Boulle were conducted; however, he left the state.

On April 24, 2018, at approximately 12:11 AM, the Kent County Sheriff's Office was again dispatched to 250 76th St. SW for the report of an armed robbery. A store employee reported the suspect approached her with a cutting instrument and threatened her while demanding she open the cash register. The employee complied, and the suspect stole money from the register. Investigators were able to quickly determine that the suspect from both incidents appeared to be the same.

On April 24, 2018, at approximately 6:40 PM, the Kent County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to the area of 28th St. SE and Hotel Ave. SE in Cascade Township for the report of an armed robbery. The victim reported he stopped for a subject panhandling in order to give him money. When the suspect approached the victim's car he stole the victim's wallet off the passenger seat. The victim followed the suspect who informed the victim he had a knife and threatened to stab him. Based on the description given by the victim, investigators believed Boulle was the suspect.

In the morning hours of April 25, 2018, after an extensive search, investigators received information Boulle was in Dundee, MI. The Dundee Police Department was contacted and was quickly able to take Boulle into custody without further incident. Evidence linking Boulle to the above incidents was located at the time of his arrest.

Boulle is currently being held on a \$500,00.00 bond at the Kent County Correctional Facility on two counts of armed robbery, one count of unarmed robbery and being a habitual felony offender.

Anyone with information about these cases or additional victims are asked to call the Kent County Sheriff's Office at 616-632-6100 or Silent Observer at 616-774-2345.