

DRUNK STEPPARENT

Thoreau, July 5

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Paul Davis Jr. was dispatched to a residence on Windsong Avenue early in the morning in reference to a young girl saying her stepfather was fighting with her mom.

She said her mom's neck was hurt and someone named "Josh" had tried to choke her. She also said her mom was standing next to a door in the bedroom to keep him from entering.

The girl's mom told Metro Dispatch the man was Joshua Talamante, 32, of Continental Divide. When Davis arrived at the residence a few minutes later, he made contact with Talamante, who told him the girl and her mother were in a back room.

Davis spoke with the callers, who said Talamante had arrived home shortly after midnight and he was upset about something. After he tried to choke the woman, he continued to yell and walk around the house as they called Dispatch.

The woman did show signs of abuse, but refused medical attention as Deputy Nocona Clark arrived to assist and provide information on domestic violence aid.

Davis arrested Talamante for aggravated battery against a household member. When he transferred him to McKinley County Adult Detention Center for booking, Talamante admitted he had consumed liquor earlier and thus was under the influence.

Talamante was later released on his own recognizance by a judge.

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