Featured DWI

John K. Hoskie

Aug. 26, 12:40 pm

Aggravated DWI

McKinley County Sheriff's Deputy Terence Willie was dispatched to the 9 mile marker of Highway 264 in reference to a fight on the side of the road. The caller had said a rust-colored car had pulled over and two drunk men were fighting.

Willie was traveling westbound on Highway 264 when he was flagged down by another driver, who said she had seen a purple vehicle driving on the wrong side of the road. He then traveled back eastbound and was eventually flagged down by another driver who told him the suspect vehicle was parked at the Family Dollar in Yah-ta-hey.

After arriving at the store, Willie found the suspect vehicle parked in the middle of the lot and made contact with the driver, John Hoskie, 45, of Smith Lake, N.M. When asked where he was going, Hoskie said he was traveling to his mother's house in Twin Lakes. Willie noted Hoskie had bloodshot eyes and slurred speech, and he appeared confused when Willie questioned him.

Hoskie exited the vehicle and walked to the front of Willie's unit, stumbling as he went. He admitted to drinking one can of beer earlier. He agreed to take the standard field sobriety tests, but failed.

Willie placed Hoskie under arrest and transported him to the sheriff's office for a breath test, but

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Hoskie refused to give a sample. Willie then transported him to McKinley County Adult Detention Center, but they refused to admit him because he had a high fever and had come into contact with an unidentified person earlier.

Hoskie was transported to and left at a local hospital for medical clearance. A summons will be filed for aggravated DWI, and driving without registration or insurance.