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OWI 7th Offense

For Immediate Release

Date: November 2nd, 2022
Case: SO2255037

Contact Person

Captain Mark Thompson
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On November 2nd, 2022, at 11:40 PM, a Rock County Sheriff's Office Deputy conducted a traffic stop for speeding in the area of West US Highway 14 and North Tuttle Road in Porter Township. The offending vehicle was identified as a 2005 Chevrolet Impala. The driver was identified as Jesse M. Sommerfeldt, 35 years old from Fitchburg. When contact was made, Sommerfeldt showed signs of impairment. After further investigation, Sommerfeldt was arrested for operating while intoxicated. A records check of Sommerfeldt showed six prior OWI convictions, which makes this arrest felony seventh offense. Sommerfeldt was taken to the Rock County Jail where he will have his initial court appearance on Thursday, November 3rd, 2022.

"Pursuant to the directive of the Wisconsin Supreme Court, as found in Supreme Court Rule 20:3.6, Trial Publicity, you are advised that a charge is merely an accusation and that a defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty."

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