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Man Arrested After Shooting at an Occupied Car with His Handgun

On May 10, 2024, officers arrested 41-year-old Donald Lubanda of 304 Parker Farms Road for his involvement in a dispute. Lubanda is accused of firing several rounds at an occupied vehicle after the occupants allegedly committed a property crime at the address. Lubanda turned himself in for an existing warrant for his arrest. He was charged with violation of Connecticut General Statutes: Criminal Attempt at Assault in the First Degree 53a-49(53a-59), Illegal Discharge of a Firearm 53a-203 and Reckless Endangerment in the First Degree (53a-63). He was released on a \$150,000.00 surety bond and will be arraigned at G.A. #7 in Meriden on May 23, 2024 at 9:00 AM.

On May 4, 2024 at approximately 10:30 PM, members of the Wallingford Police Department responded to 304 Parker Farms Road for a criminal mischief complaint. Upon arrival, officers met with the complainant who informed officers that a juvenile used a BB gun to shoot out the back window of one of his vehicles and slashed one of his tires. Officers learned of a dispute between the parties involved at a secondary location in town in the area of Ridge Road and quickly responded there to de-escalate the situation.

Members of the Wallingford Police Department Detective Unit responded and learned that Lubanda had fired shots into the vehicle of the suspect of the criminal mischief complaint, striking it five times. Detectives conducted an in depth investigation into the circumstances surrounding the second shooting. As a result, Detectives obtained an arrest warrant for Lubanda.

The initial incident involving the juvenile remains under investigation.



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