

Fugitive Arrested Near Falls City

(KLZA)-- A man wanted on a felony warrant in Lancaster County and for criminal activity in Gage County was arrested without incident Monday morning at a house just west of Falls City.

Beatrice Police Lieutenant Mike Oliver confirmed to MSCNEWS that 32-year-old Brandon Kopf was arrested near Falls City by the Metro Area Fugitive Task Force.

Kopf was wanted in Gage County for fleeing to avoid arrest, willful reckless driving, violating a traffic control signal, leaving the scene of a property damage accident and driving while suspended or revoked.

According to the Gage County Sheriff's Department website report, shortly before 9 p.m. on February 28, Gage County Deputies were attempting to locate Kopf on the Lancaster County warrant.

Deputies observed a vehicle matching the description of the vehicle Kopf was believed to be driving. When an attempt was made to stop the vehicle as it pulled into the parking lot of a convenience store in the 800 block of West Court Street. When a Deputy attempted to make contact, the vehicle rapidly accelerated and left the parking area, traveling east down Court Street in Beatrice at a high rate of speed.

A pursuit began but deputies lost site of the vehicle when it turned north. A short time later, it was discovered that Kopf's vehicle, a black, GMC, SUV had collided with a fire hydrant and then smashed into a building at 800 Court Street housing the Tom Cass Insurance agency.

Kopf allegedly fled on foot and Gage County authorities have been looking for him since.

The picture posted with this story is from the Gage County Sheriff's Department Website.

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