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An Ausable Forks New York man who was stopped by Sheriffs deputies over the weekend is facing multiple charges relating to diving under the influence, driving without a license and possession of illegal drugs.

Deputies stopped 58-year-old Ricky Petrashune on North Main Street in Ausable Forks just after 11:00p.m. on Saturday September 4, 2010 after they noticed him driving erratically.

Petrashune who failed field sobriety tests administered by deputies was also found to be in possession of marijuana. He was taken into custody and brought to the Clinton County Sheriff's Office for processing. Petrashune submitted to a breath test which showed him to be legally intoxicated.

Deputies charged Petrashune with one count of felony aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle, one count of misdemeanor DWI and one count of misdemeanor operating a motor vehicle impaired by drugs. He was also charged with three other offenses: unlawful possession of marijuana, changing lanes unsafely and driving without tail lights.

Petrashune was ticketed and released to a third party. He will appear in Black Brook Town Court on September 15, 2010 to face the charges.