

PRESS RELEASE



James Weightman

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An Ellenburg New York man believed to be under the influence of drugs and alcohol was arrested early Sunday morning after fleeing from a police officer who was trying to stop him.

Deputies from the Clinton County Sheriff's Office observed 38-year-old James Weightman running a stop sign at the intersection of Mason Street and Route 22B in Morrisonville just after 1:30 a.m. on Sunday April 25, 2010.

Deputies tried to pull Weightman over for running the stop sign, but he would not comply with their orders to stop. He continued traveling east bound on Route 22B reaching speeds in excess of 70 miles-per-hour before voluntarily pulling over.

Weightman failed field sobriety tests given by deputies. He was taken into custody and brought to the Clinton County Sheriff's Office for processing. Weightman submitted to a

breath test which showed his blood alcohol level to be just over two times the legal limit.

Deputies charged Weightman with one felony count of aggravated DWI, one felony count of DWI due to a previous conviction in 2004 for DWI, one felony count of DWAI combined drugs and alcohol and one misdemeanor count of unlawful fleeing a police officer. He was also charged with three other offenses: Failing to stop at a stop sign, speeding and failure to obey a police officer.

Weightman was arraigned in Schuyler Falls Town Court and sent to the Clinton County Jail on \$2500 cash bail. He is set to reappear in Schuyler Falls Town Court on April 29, 2010.