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MAN ARRESTED FOR HIT AND RUN

A New Bern man was arrested Wednesday afternoon after hitting a parked car downtown and driving recklessly through other parts of New Bern.

Police responded to Craven Street around 2:10 p.m. in reference to a hit and run that happened in front of City hall. Witnesses said a white Ford Expedition hit a parked Ford F-150 truck and continued to drive away. Witnesses told officers the suspect's car had a cracked passenger side window and broken side-view mirror.

About twenty minutes earlier, New Bern emergency communications received a call about a reckless driver near Miller and Bay streets, also driving a white Expedition.

New Bern 911 then received calls from people riding inside the vehicle with the suspect, and they told telecommunicators they were able to stop the driver in the parking lot of Food Lion on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

Officers arrived and identified the driver as **Travis Deon SCONYERS, 05/29/1988**, of 122 Lariat Circle. **SCONYERS** fought and kicked as officers attempted to handcuff him. He was removed from the vehicle and arrested.

SCONYERS was charged with Hit and Run, Driving without a License and Resist/Obstruct and Delay. He was placed in the Craven County jail under a \$5,000 bond.

The New Bern Police Department is committed to Community Policing. Citizens are encouraged to become a "**Partner in Policing**," by reporting suspected illegal activity to the New Bern Police Department's **TIPS** line at **(252) 636-5034** or the Craven County Crime Stoppers line at 633-5141.

For additional information, please contact Beth Stevenson, Public Information Officer at the New Bern Police Department at (252) 672-4211.

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