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SWAT arrests wanted man found hiding in home

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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – Deputies arrested a man Friday on multiple charges after an hours-long standoff on Johns Island.

Charleston County Sheriff's Office deputies went to 2840 Abram Road after 9 a.m. to assist officers from the Mount Pleasant Police Department with a warrant service. Seth Christopher Spivey, 35, was wanted on charges of assaulting a police officer while resisting arrest and malicious injury to personal property. Additionally, Spivey had a Family Court bench warrant with CCSO and a warrant for third-degree domestic violence with the Berkeley County Sheriff's Office.

Spivey was believed to be inside the home but did not respond to the deputies' commands to come out. A female resident exited the home.

CCSO's SWAT team responded as deputies continued efforts to make contact with Spivey. A reverse 911 call warned nearby residents to stay in their homes. Other residents were asked to avoid the area.

After repeated attempts to make contact with Spivey were unsuccessful, the SWAT team made entry. While clearing the home, SWAT team members removed a panel that led to a void in the wall. The deputies found Spivey hiding in the void above a hot water heater. Spivey resisted arrest, and deputies effectively deployed a Taser. He was taken into custody around 4:45 p.m. and transported to a hospital for evaluation. He was booked Friday night at the Al Cannon Detention Center.

No serious injuries were reported.

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A large amount of cash and some drugs, which tested positive for fentanyl, were found during a subsequent search of the home. In addition to the warrants, Spivey was arrested on charges of possession of fentanyl and resisting arrest.

The woman who had emerged from the home, Lauren Marie Wilt, 36, was arrested on a charge of interfering/hindering officers serving a warrant. Deputies believe Wilt helped conceal Spivey in the home before walking out and lying to deputies about Spivey's location.

Booking photos can be found on the CCSO website: https://inmatesearch.charlestoncounty.org/



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