

# Freetown man charged with assaulting man with prosthetic arm

On Wednesday, July 19, 2017, at 9:35, Freetown police received a 911 call from a Christopher Drive resident reporting that a suspect was being detained for stealing a power washer from the resident's garage. The suspect was subsequently identified as Brandon W. Demoranville, age 31, of Freetown.

Sgt. Elton Ashley, Patrolmen Christopher Medeiros and Patrolman Patrick Lee responded to the scene to discover that one of the neighbors was detaining Demoranville in the roadway.

Investigation revealed that the neighbor had observed Demoranville remove a pressure washer from a shed and begin walking down the road with it. The neighbor followed and confronted Demoranville who responded by assaulting the neighbor with his prosthetic right forearm, which contained a metal hook. An altercation followed and the neighbor was able to take Demoranville to the ground and hold him until police arrived. After police arrived, Demoranville continued to act assaultive and police threatened to Taser him unless he stopped.

After being taken into custody Demoranville made threats to harm the neighbor that had apprehended him. Demoranville was charged with the following crimes:

- Breaking & Entering Building Nighttime For Felony
- Assault With a Dangerous Weapon
- Threat to Commit Crime

During the past few weeks the area had been plagued by breaks into vehicles and sheds. Freetown Detective Shane Kelley had

applied for four arrest warrants charging Demoranville with the following crimes:

- Breaking & Entering Building Nighttime For Felony
- Breaking & Entering Vehicle Nighttime For Felony (3 counts)
- Attempt to Commit a Crime (2 counts)
- Malicious damage to a Motor Vehicle

After being booked, Demoranville was held overnight and arraigned at the Justice Center in Fall River.