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Man Arrested After Stealing Van, Taking Selfie on Stolen Phone

September 12, 2017 – A man was arrested after he stole a Frontier Communications van with a phone inside. The man ditched the van and phone near the scene of the theft and deputies found him on foot nearby. Deputies discovered the suspect used the stolen phone to take selfies with stolen property.

On Monday, September 11, 2017, at 1:23 p.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to the area of SW 185th Avenue and SW Jay Street in Aloha

after someone stole a Frontier Communications van. A short time later, deputies found the van ditched a few blocks away. A phone and tablet were missing from the van and deputies began to track the stolen phone.



Deputies found 34-year-old Eric Fleury nearby and saw the phone on the ground. When the phone's owner unlocked it, deputies discovered Fleury had used the stolen phone to send his girlfriend photos of himself holding flowers he stole from a roadside memorial nearby. Fleury also used the phone to log into his Facebook Messenger account and told his girlfriend he had stolen a van, was running from the police, and was not going to jail.

Deputies arrested Fleury for Unlawful Use of a Vehicle, Theft II, Abuse of a Memorial to the Dead, Possession of Heroin, and on a warrant for Theft II.

