



Brooksville Police Department

Media Release



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Hernando County Crime Stoppers 1-866-990-8477 (TIPS)

Date: 08/18/17

INCIDENT: Wearing Mask on Public Way
REPORT #: 2017-002698
DEFENDANT: Ryan William Hawks, 04/10/78
18291 Powell Rd
Brooksville, FL 34604

CHARGE(S): Wearing mask, hood,
on public way

VICTIM: State of Florida

WHEN: 08/18/17; 1730 hours

WHERE: Hernando County Courthouse
20 N. Main Street
Brooksville, FL 34601

NARRATIVE:

On the above date and time several law enforcement officers were conducting foot patrol at the Hernando County Courthouse reference a protest (The protest extended into the two-lane roadway of Main Street). Subject later identified as Ryan Hawk was observed walking/standing in the public roadway wearing a painted hockey mask concealing his identity. Hawk approached several law enforcement officers while wearing the mask and was advised of the law violation. The second reminder was met with the following reply, "You want me to remove the mask, Good luck with that."

Hawks was placed under arrest without incident and booked into the county jail on \$500 bond.

If you have information regarding this crime, please contact the Brooksville Police Department at 352-540-3800. If you wish to remain anonymous, call the Hernando County Crime Stoppers Toll free at 1-866-990-8477 (TIPS) or you may email your tip by clicking below.

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