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Deputies called to look into assault complaint

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Oakland County Sheriff's Department Highland Substation deputies were called earlier this month to a residence in the 2900 block of Tes to investigate an assault complaint.

The female complainant stated that the incident began when her ex-boyfriend and his new girlfriend came to pick up her dog on Sunday, Dec. 12 around 10 p.m.

The complainant told deputies she told her ex-boyfriend that she didn't want him to take the dog, and then he became angry and aggressive. She claims he then shoved her against a door several times, and out of concern for her well-being she swung out at both her ex-boyfriend and his new girlfriend.

According to the complainant, they stumbled outside, where the girlfriend punched her before her ex-boyfriend began kicking her. She added that she was able to escape back into the house and call the deputies, which is when her ex-boyfriend and his new girlfriend took off.

While deputies were on scene, the ex-boyfriend called the complainant, and after talking to a deputy refused to return to the scene. However, he did go to the Highland Substation to complete a witness report on Tuesday, Dec. 14. Both he and his girlfriend gave their accounts of the story.

The male suspect stated he came over to pick up the dog and take care of it as a favor to his ex-girlfriend because they are still friends. According to him, they began to argue after his ex-girlfriend informed him the dog wasn't there. His new girlfriend then said something to his ex-girlfriend, and then his ex-girlfriend punched his new girlfriend. They stumbled outside.

The man told deputies he separated the women, which is when his new girlfriend punched the old one. He then picked up his ex-girlfriend and set her in a snow bank. He and his new girlfriend then left the scene.

He told deputies that he believes his ex-girlfriend couldn't handle seeing him with another woman.

The new girlfriend told deputies that while her boyfriend and his ex-girlfriend were arguing, the ex-girlfriend wanted her to come inside and talk, which she refused. Her boyfriend's ex-girlfriend then allegedly grabbed her face near her nose, and they began to tussle. She reported that the complainant allegedly got on top of her and began punching her face. She said she believes her boyfriend then pulled his ex-girlfriend off her, at which time she punched his ex-girlfriend in the face.

The man then set his ex-boyfriend in a snow bank, while the new girlfriend ran to their vehicle.

Both the complainant and the other female witness had scrapes on their faces.

A sheriff's department report has been sent to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office for review and possible warrants.