

MEDIA RELEASE

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Larceny from a motor vehicle / stolen vehicle	02/20/2021 1309 Hours	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:	
21BU002132	Downtown Burlington	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Ofc. Byrne	658-2700	
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:	
Sgt. Seller	Chief Murad	
SUSPECT:	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Wayne Morrill	42	Burlington
Shane Morrill	34	Colchester
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
Wayne Morrill – Arrested and lodged on outstanding warrant Shane Morrill – Arrested, processed, released on citation		

NARRATIVE:

On Saturday, February 20, 2021, at approximately 1309 hours, the Burlington Police Department responded to a call about a larceny from a motor vehicle that had occurred in a parking garage located in downtown Burlington. Over the next hour, the BPD received several other calls regarding vehicles that had been broken into in parking garages and other areas of downtown Burlington.

While officers were investigating these larceny complaints, the BPD's dispatch center was able to locate video from the city parking garage showing the two suspects responsible. Through this video, dispatchers were able to provide an updated description of the suspects and confirm that they had left the parking garage in a stolen vehicle.

At approximately 1410 hours, the Burlington Police Department received another call advising that two males were attempting to buy gift cards with various credit cards at Market 32 on Shelburne Road. A store employee was also able to provide the first name of a female listed on one of the cards, which matched the name of a victim from the car larcenies.

POLICE DEPARTMENT CITY OF BURLINGTON



Police officers responded to the location to speak with witnesses, gather evidence, and conduct a canvas. During that search they located the stolen vehicle in the Shaw's parking lot on the east side of Shelburne Road, in South Burlington. Officers also located two males, later identified as Shane Morrill, 34, and Wayne Morrill, 42, exiting Shaw's and matching the description provided by dispatch. Officers stopped these individuals to investigate.

Numerous items allegedly taken during the car larcenies were recovered during the BPD's interaction with the two males. This is an ongoing investigation, and BPD is still processing evidence and assessing the various alleged crimes. The BPD seeks any information related to these incidents or other, possibly associated but currently unreported incidents.

"This incident goes to show that public safety is a shared responsibility," said acting Chief of Police Jon Murad. "It involved a lot of cooperation and good work among dispatchers, officers, and members of the public. No one likes coming out on a cold day and finding their car damaged and their property stolen. Those kinds of crimes are the responsibility of the people who perpetrate them, not victims, but the BPD reminds neighbors to lock their cars and avoid leaving valuable items visible and unattended, particularly items like wallets, credit cards, and cell phones or other electronics."

Anyone with information about these incidents is asked to contact the Burlington Police Department at (802) 658-2704.

###