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**Driver Arrested After Driving Into the Rear of Police Station**

Hingham, MA – A driver was arrested for repeat impaired driving after she drove into the rear parking lot of the police station. While attempting to park her vehicle it struck the building but did not cause damage. She then attempted to enter the police station through a locked employee entrance.

On Monday, December 16, 2019 at 2:40pm an Officer was walking to his cruiser in the rear parking lot of the police station when he saw a vehicle enter the police station driveway from Central Street. There are visible signs posted in the driveway indicating it is for authorized personnel only. This driveway leads only to a secure parking area and entrance for police staff. The vehicle pulled into a parking space next to unmarked and marked police vehicles. It continued forward until it made contact with the building. The driver walked to the staff only entrance and tried to open the locked door. The Officer asked if he could help her. She said words that were mumbled. She said the State Police sent her because her car broke down. She changed her answer and said she was visiting family at the hospital, then claimed to be visiting a friend in West Roxbury and finally seeking marriage papers. The Officer asked if she knew where she was. She said in West Roxbury.

Her speech was slow, slurred and difficult to understand. She was swaying, her pupils were constricted, her eyes were bloodshot and she smelled of alcohol. She was also losing her balance.

Inside her vehicle Officers could see an empty beer can and several prescription bottles. She admitted to taking Gabapentin, Clonazepam and several vodka "nips" before driving. She attempted a series of field sobriety tests but was unable to complete them. At one point the Officer reached out to hold her because he feared she would fall over.

She was placed under arrest. She resisted being handcuffed and became combative. Three Officers brought her into the booking area. The vehicle a 1998 Chevy Blazer was towed.

Arrested was Kimberly A. Bentley, age 47, 3 Central Avenue, Hull, MA. She was charged with: 1) Operating Under the Influence of Alcohol (2<sup>nd</sup> Offense) 2) Operating Under the Influence of Drugs (2<sup>nd</sup> Offense) 3) Resisting Arrest 4) Negligent Operation 5) Unlicensed Operation (expired license status). Her prior OUI was in 2016.

She was held overnight at the Hingham Police station. She was arraigned at Hingham District Court on December 17 and ordered held on \$500.00 bail. She is due to return to court January 10, 2020.

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