

State of Minnesota
County of Blue Earth

District Court
5th Judicial District

Prosecutor File No. 0070109703
Court File No. 07-CR-24-4961

State of Minnesota,
Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT
Order of Detention

vs.

GUENTHER BOONE JR DOB: 06/29/2006

327 May Street #2
Po Box 33
Mankato, MN 56001

Defendant.

The Complainant submits this complaint to the Court and states that there is probable cause to believe Defendant committed the following offense(s):

COUNT I

Charge: Murder - 2nd Degree - With Intent-Not Premeditated

Minnesota Statute: 609.19.1(1)
Maximum Sentence: 40 years
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/21/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24035350

Charge Description: On or about December 21, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Guenther Boone Jr did cause the death of a human being with intent to effect the death of the person or another, but without premeditation.

COUNT II

Charge: Firearm-Serial Number-Receive/Possess With No Serial Number

Minnesota Statute: 609.667(3)
Maximum Sentence: 5 years or \$10,000 fine, or both
Offense Level: Felony

Offense Date (on or about): 12/21/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24035350

Charge Description: On or about December 21, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Guenther Boone Jr did receive or possess a firearm that was not identified by a serial number.

COUNT III

Charge: Carry/Possess Pistol w/out Permit - Public Place - Gross Misdemeanor; Second or Subsequent - Felony-G

Minnesota Statute: 624.714.1a

Maximum Sentence: 364 days or \$3,000 fine, or both

Offense Level: Gross Misdemeanor

Offense Date (on or about): 12/21/2024

Control #(ICR#): 24035350

Charge Description: On or about December 21, 2024, in the County of Blue Earth, Minnesota, Guenther Boone Jr did, did carry, hold or possess a pistol in a motor vehicle, snowmobile, or boat or on or about the person's clothes or the person or was otherwise in possession or control in a public place, as defined in section 624.7181, subdivision 1, paragraph (c), without first having obtained a permit to carry the pistol.

STATEMENT OF PROBABLE CAUSE

On December 21, 2024, at approximately 3:13 AM, the Mankato Department of Public Safety ("MDPS") was dispatched to Witness 1's residence in Blue Earth County in response to a 911 call that someone was shot in the head. Officers arrived on scene and located Victim, who was deceased, in the passenger seat of a vehicle. Victim had suffered an apparent gunshot wound to the back of his head.

Witness 1 reported he was driving the vehicle at the time of the shooting. Witness 1 stated he and Victim had gone to the 500 block of E. Walnut St in Mankato for a "cart deal". Witness 1 stated "Jr." was going to help him with selling the carts. He knows "Jr." as "Junior Boones" and "Loonie"; this individual was ultimately identified as Guenther Boone Jr. (DOB 06/29/2006) MDPS Detective Hullopetter is aware from his training and experience that carts are marijuana cartridges for E cigarettes. Witness 1 stated he and Victim went to Boone's address and parked in the street. Boone opened the rear passenger door and Witness 1 heard Victim say "why are you clutching bro", which he clarified to mean someone holding or pointing a gun. Witness 1 stated he then heard a pop, which is when Victim was shot in the head by Boone. Boone looked right at Witness 1 and then Boone ran off. Witness 1 drove back to his nearby residence and called 911. Witness 1 identified Boone as the individual that shot Victim. Witness 1 identified Witness 2 as the individual that was with Boone.

MDPS Detective Sack completed a forensic extraction of Witness 1's phone. Messages in the phone showed GPS location data and incoming and outgoing messages. The GPS location data showed Witness 1's phone location was consistent with the information he had provided to MDPS detectives. Witness 1 had left his residence and traveled to the location of the shooting, arriving at 3:05 AM and leaving at 3:09 AM and returning to Witness 1's residence. The data also included outgoing and incoming communications with an account identified by the name "loonie_town".

CCTV footage was located that captured Witness 1's vehicle at the time of the shooting. The vehicle arrived at the 500 block of E. Walnut St at approximately 3:08 AM. Two individuals can be seen walking up to the vehicle from the south side of the road. Boone's address is located to the south side of the road. One individual approaches the passenger side of the vehicle and the other walks around the back towards the driver's side. Only a few seconds after walking up to the vehicle, both individuals can be seen running to the south. Witness 1's vehicle then completes a u-turn and appears to drive over a curb and through a yard before driving away at 3:09 AM.

Witness 2 was located wearing clothing consistent with the clothing of one of the two individuals from the CCTV footage. Witness 2 told MDPS Detective Sack that Boone had told him he had to grab something, and Witness 2 started walking with Boone. They approached the vehicle that was parked on the street and Boone walked up to the rear passenger door. Witness 2 began walking around to the driver's side. Witness 2 noticed the dome light in the vehicle turn on and said Boone may have opened the rear passenger door, but he was not sure. Witness 2 then heard a loud bang, and he saw Boone start running. Witness 2 began running with Boone and they ran into Boone's residence.

Boone was located in his residence. Detective Sack and BCA Special Agent Anderson spoke with Boone. Boone initially denied knowledge of anything going on outside his residence and did not know what happened. When confronted with the information officers had learned, Boone then stated, "I didn't mean to take him from his children." Boone then admitted he shot Victim. Boone stated he shot him in the head "execution style".

Boone stated his plan was to rob Witness 1 and take the carts to make some money. When Witness 1 arrived, Boone stated someone was in the passenger seat and when he entered, he heard Victim, whom he knew. Boone stated he saw Victim move his hand but did not know what he was doing so he shot

Victim in the back of the head. Boone stated he did not see a gun, but he assumed Victim had one because Victim had sold him the gun he used to shoot Victim. Boone stated he would have shot a second time, but the gun jammed. Boone stated he ran back to his house and Witness 2 followed.

Boone described the gun he used as a .40 caliber Glock with a chrome top. Boone told officers the location he had hidden the gun. A loaded .40 caliber P80 handgun with no serial number was found in the location provided by Boone inside his residence.

A handgun was located in Witness 1's vehicle on the center console. Witness 1 stated the gun belonged to Victim.

A spent .40 caliber shell casing was also located on the front passenger side floorboard of Witness 1's vehicle.

Boone does not have a permit to carry a pistol.

The investigation is ongoing.

SIGNATURES AND APPROVALS

Complainant requests that Defendant, subject to bail or conditions of release, be:
(1) arrested or that other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court; or
(2) detained, if already in custody, pending further proceedings; and that said Defendant otherwise be dealt with according to law.

Complainant declares under penalty of perjury that everything stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116; Minn. R. Crim. P. 2.01, subds. 1, 2.

Complainant

Jeff Knutson
Sergeant
710 S Front St
Mankato, MN 56001-3803
Badge: 3148

Electronically Signed:
12/23/2024 12:28 PM
Blue Earth County, Minnesota

Being authorized to prosecute the offenses charged, I approve this complaint.

Prosecuting Attorney

Todd Coryell
Assistant County Attorney
401 Carver Road
PO Box 3129
Mankato, MN 56002
(507) 304-4600

Electronically Signed:
12/23/2024 12:25 PM

FINDING OF PROBABLE CAUSE

From the above sworn facts, and any supporting affidavits or supplemental sworn testimony, I, the Issuing Officer, have determined that probable cause exists to support, subject to bail or conditions of release where applicable, Defendant's arrest or other lawful steps be taken to obtain Defendant's appearance in court, or Defendant's detention, if already in custody, pending further proceedings. Defendant is therefore charged with the above-stated offense(s).

SUMMONS

THEREFORE YOU, THE DEFENDANT, ARE SUMMONED to appear as directed in the Notice of Hearing before the above-named court to answer this complaint.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR in response to this SUMMONS, a WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST shall be issued.

WARRANT

To the Sheriff of the above-named county; or other person authorized to execute this warrant: I order, in the name of the State of Minnesota, that the Defendant be apprehended and arrested without delay and brought promptly before the court (if in session), and if not, before a Judge or Judicial Officer of such court without unnecessary delay, and in any event not later than 36 hours after the arrest or as soon as such Judge or Judicial Officer is available to be dealt with according to law.

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Execute in Border States

ORDER OF DETENTION

Since the Defendant is already in custody, I order, subject to bail or conditions of release, that the Defendant continue to be detained pending further proceedings.

Bail: \$
Conditions of Release:

This complaint, duly subscribed and sworn to or signed under penalty of perjury, is issued by the undersigned Judicial Officer as of the following date: December 23, 2024.

Judicial Officer

Greg Anderson
District Court Judge

Electronically Signed: 12/23/2024 01:00 PM

Sworn testimony has been given before the Judicial Officer by the following witnesses:

**COUNTY OF BLUE EARTH
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

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Guenther Boone Jr

Defendant

*LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER RETURN OF SERVICE
I hereby Certify and Return that I have served a copy of this Order of
Detention upon the Defendant herein named.*

Signature of Authorized Service Agent: