



News Release

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No. # 53

Subject: Involuntary manslaughter -- Suspect Arrested --

The Mansfield Division of Police, Major Crimes Unit has made an arrest in connection with the Suspicious Death that occurred on October 23, 2018.

On October 23, 2018 Officers were called to an address on 2nd Ave. in Mansfield, Ohio for a deceased person. Patrol officers called for a Major Crimes Detective and the Coroner once they saw the victim, inside the residence they located the victim a 77 year old female in an upstairs bedroom deceased and she looked to be very emaciated.

The Coroner's office took the body and sent it to the Montgomery County, Ohio Coroner's office for an autopsy. The Richland County Coroner's office received a preliminary report from Montgomery, Ohio, it showed issues of neglect. A more detailed report will be available when the complete autopsy findings are done.

Upon consultation with the Richland County Prosecutor Gary Bishop it was decided to charge Jennifer K. Sweat with one count of "Involuntary manslaughter" a felony of the first degree and one count of "Failing to provide for a functionally impaired person" a felony of the fourth degree. She was arrested and transported to the county jail.

"This was a horrific scene that the Officers and Coroner's office personnel were subjected to, a terrible loss of life to one of our citizens in the Mansfield community" stated Lt. Robert Skropits.



Jennifer K. Sweat
W/F/44
D.O.B 03/04/1974