

Incident Report

Remarks: WatchGuard Patrol Video - Deputy Bradley and Cpl Jones - in ccso digital

Vehicles : No Vehicles Entered For Incident

Drugs: No Drugs Items Entered For Incident

Narratives:

REMARKS

Date: 09/29/2023 10:39

Officer: JONES, CHAUNCEY

At Large Traffic Citations

INITIAL NARRATIVE

Date: 09/29/2023 08:29

Officer: JONES, CHAUNCEY

On 09/28/2023 at approximately 11:13 I, Corporal C. Jones #115 along with Deputy C. Bradley were dispatched to a Road Hazard at FM 546 and County Road 324. Dispatch advised that there were nails all over the road way.

Upon arriving in the area Deputy Bradley and I located the nails just west of East Fork Church. The nails were covering both sides of the roadway. By the looks of it there were several thousand nails covering both lanes of traffic.

Deputy Bradley drove us west of where the nails were and then turned us back east bound. Emergency lights were activated, and the eastbound lane of traffic was blocked. Both Deputy Bradley and I retrieved our traffic vest and began assessing the situation. Initially I tried kicking the nails from the roadway but soon realized this wasn't going to work. At approximately 11:34 I requested the fire department to come out and assist. While waiting for the fire department to arrive I continued to try to kick nails off the roadway until I located a box in the ditch. I then began to use the box as a rake to push the nails from the roadway.

Based on my Watch Guard video, approximately 16:50 into the video a white pickup truck began driving eastbound in the westbound lane of traffic towards my patrol vehicle. The pickup truck passed approximately 4 trucks in this no passing zone. During this time the driver in the lead truck was on the roadway helping me remove the nails. The white pickup drove past the lead vehicle and stopped when I acknowledged him by hold my arms out to insinuating what are you doing. at 17:28 the driver exited his vehicle and identified himself to me as State Representative Leach. He states that the roadway is back up with traffic. I advise him that I would rather the roadway be back up due to me sweeping nails off of it instead of it being backed up due to people having flat tires. Mr. Leach said something else, but I wasn't paying attention to him as the driver behind him had asked if I needed a broom. Mr. Leach then walked over to the right shoulder of the roadway and began looking at the grass/ditch. He then proceeds back to his truck and drives into the grass/ditch passing my marked patrol car on the passenger side. He drove past my vehicle and then cut back onto the roadway and proceeded westbound on FM 546.

Mr. Leach committed several traffic violations at this time that I was not able to address due to me trying to get the roadway reopened. Those violations are as followed:

Transportation Code Sec. 545.055 Passing To The Left: Passing Zones (a) An operator shall obey directions of a sign or marking Subsection (c) or (d) if the sign or marking is in place and clearly visible to an ordinarily observant person. (b) An operator may not drive on the left side of the roadway in a no-passing zone or on the left side of any pavement striping designed to mark a no-passing zone.

Mr. Leach committed this violation by passing four vehicles that were stopped in the lane of traffic. Mr. Leach crossed a solid double yellow lane passing these vehicles.

Transportation Code Sec. 544.004 Compliance with Traffic-Control Device(a) The operator of a vehicle or streetcar shall comply with an applicable official traffic control device placed as provided by this subtitle unless the person is: (1) otherwise directed by a traffic officer, police officer, or escort flagger; or (2) operating an authorized emergency vehicle and is subject to exceptions under this subtitle.

Mr. Leach committed this violation by disregarding myself and a marked Collin County Sheriff's Office vehicle with it's emergency lights activated.

Transportation Code Sec. 521.271 License Expiration(a) Each original driver's license, provisional license, learner license, or occupational driver's license to an applicant who is a citizen, national, or legal permanent or as lawfully admitted into the United States expires as follows: (1) except as provided by Section 521.2711, a driver's license expires on the first birthday of the license holder occurring after the eighth anniversary of the date of application.

Mr. Leach committed this violation by operating a motor vehicle on a Texas roadway after the expiration date of 06/10/2023 on his state issued driver's license.

These traffic violation charges will be filed at large. Citation #044876.

Unit 750 Video was recording during the incident. My Watch Guard body mic was charging at the time of the incident so audio was not available.

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Case Events: Not Available			
Case Narratives: Not Available			

Reporting Officers: JONES, CHAUNCEY

Remarks: