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Stolen Box Truck Recovered – Two Arrested

Creston N.C. – B. Phil Howell announces the arrest of 45-year-old Joey Lee Hamm of Creston and 47-year-old Teresa Lynn Osborne of Creston for larceny of a motor vehicle. After Sheriff's Detectives and Deputies located the stolen Box Truck taken from the Creston Fire Department.

On February 28th, 2025, Deputy Baldwin received a larceny call from the Creston Fire Department. The Department advised that a 2020 Chevrolet Box Truck had been stolen from the department's parking lot around midnight. The case was then turned over to Ashe County Detective Scott Milam. On March 12th, 2025, Milam recovered the stolen box truck and found it in working order with no major damage. The truck was returned to the Creston Fire Department.

Detective Milam obtained warrants for larceny of a motor vehicle for Joey Lee Hamm of Creston and Teresa Lee Osborne for aid & abet larceny. Detective Milam placed Teresa under arrest without further incident.

On March 19th, 2025, Ashe County Sheriff's Sgt. Daniel Cox was patrolling when he recognized the driver of a vehicle as Joey Hamm. Knowing that Hamm had outstanding warrants, Deputy Cox initiated a traffic stop and arrested Hamm without further incident.

Joey Lee Hamm, 46 years of age, of Creston, was arrested and booked under a \$10,000 secured bond and was later released. His charges include:

- Felony Break or Enter a Motor Vehicle
- Felony Larceny of Motor Vehicle

Teresa Lynn Osborne, 47 years of age, of Creston, was arrested and booked under a \$25,000 unsecured bond. Her charges include:

- Felony Aid and Abet larceny

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Joey Lee
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Teresa Lynn
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