



**The City of
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****Arrest Made in Two Separate Bomb Threat Incidents****

[Hopewell, VA] – On Wednesday, March 8, 2023 at approximately 8:55 am and on Wednesday April 19, 2023, at approximately 8:51 am, officers responded to the 100 block of E. Broadway (Hopewell Courts) in reference to a bomb threat. An investigation was initiated and a response was coordinated with the Hopewell Sheriff's Office and Virginia State Police. A perimeter was established around the premises and everyone was evacuated safely from the building. Virginia State Police responded to the scene with canine units that are trained to locate explosives. The building was searched but yielded negative results for any explosive devices.

A person of interest was developed in the case utilizing available technology. On Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 3:30 pm a search warrant was executed at a residence in the 400 block of North 10th Ave. Robert Millis, 56 of Hopewell was charged with two felony counts of Threats to Bomb or Damage Buildings. Mr. Millis was taken into custody without incident and transported to Riverside Regional Jail. Mr. Millis was held without bond.

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Robert Millis

