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"He forced her against her

will to get into his truck," said

sheriff's deputy Jared Jacobs who responded to the distress

call from the victim's mother.

"Her mother stepped in to

assist and was kicked, pushed

pickup and was followed by

the victim's mother. The sus-

pect rammed her car near

Jewel's Market. Officers caught

up to him on Bybee Chapel

Goff left the scene in his

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Kidnapping, assault send Goff to prison

Goff hits girlfriend's mother before running from law

BY JAMES CLARK Editor for the Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tennessee)

A man who forced his girlfriend into his pickup against her will, hit her mother, and then rammed sheriff's vehicles when they tried to stop him was given six years in the state penitentiary.

Robert Anthony Goff, 38, was sentenced Wednesday by Circuit Court Judge Bart Stanley for aggravated kidnapping, domestic assault, reckless endangerment with a deadly weapon, evading arrest in a motor vehicle, and vandalism up to \$1,000.

The sentence comes after Goff assaulted his girlfriend for several hours at his home on R. Arnold Road near the DeKalb County line before abducting her.



"The vehicle accelerated in reverse trying to escape," Jacobs reported. "The

and hit by Goff."

patrol vehicles along with the suspect vehicle made contact.'

Goff's run after ramming the sheriff's vehicles was short-lived as he ran off the road and into a fence.

"He attempted to leave the vehicle but was hung up in the fence and could not escape," the deputy said, noting the fight was not over as he resisted arrest and had to be forcibly handcuffed.

It was later lawmen learned Goff had allegedly pulled a knife on his girlfriend and had threatened to kill her.

"During the entire incident, she was an unwilling passenger who could not escape for fear of death or bodily injury," Jacobs said.

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Lost grant sparks city, Chamber dispute

BY LISA HOBBS Reporter for the Southern Standard (McMinnville, Tennessee)

Tourism is proving to be a turbulent relationship between city government and the McMinnville-Warren County Chamber of Commerce.

In an email to McMinnville Board of Mayor and Aldermen members from Chamber president Mandy Eller, she expressed concern for what she considers unnecessary meetings by city adminis-

trator Bill Brock that slowed down the process for a \$28,500 tourism grant -- to the point the grant was lost.

However, Brock counters that Eller is responsible for losing the grant because she didn't obtain competitive bids, or provide progress reports required.

The grant was originally obtained by the Chamber in

In her email to the city board last Friday Eller wrote, "There was another meeting yesterday to discuss the Tourism Enhancement Grant. In that meeting, Bill Brock discouraged the board members repeatedly from seeking grants for the city. There have been many, many meetings lately concerning this grant.

Eller was grant administrator, meaning she oversaw expenditures and grant reim-

bursement and had to work closely with McMinnville Parks and Recreation director Scott McCord and Brock.

However, said Eller, Brock insisted on board members being in attendance during "superfluous" meetings.

"This grant should never have taken so much work," Eller said. "This has inconsiderately involved aldermen during their work time on issues they should not have to repeatedly be involved in. It is as if Mr. Brock is trying to teach us a lesson about going after grants by using this grant as an example.



ELLER



The logo is a compass with a magnolia tree bloom. At the bottom of the logo is the slogan, Where Life's In Full Bloom.

Givens calls the logo a "mark."

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"It's a very intentional mark," said Givens. "You can notice the compass that represents the convergence of your location in the state but also finding your center. The flower is a nod to the nature and the Nursery Capital of the World. There's a pattern in the back that's a nod to the Eastern

influence."

Since 2009, the city has been using the slogan "Sow Natural" generated by MMA

Creative. That slogan is pronounced "so natural" with the "w" added as a play on words in reference to the area's nursery industry. Its logo was "McMinnville" with

the first "i" made into a tree. Continued on 5A

Lisa Hobbs photo



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McMinnville will be changing its slogan

BY LISA HOBBS

(McMinnville, Tennessee)

Design Sensory, a design agency from Knoxville, unveiled its plans to make McMinnville the place to vacation in Tennessee. Making the presentation were

Mary Blair and Cassie Givens. "We want to elevate awareness with a brand launch and innovation of the new brand across various platforms," said Blair. "We want to unify the community and gain buy-in by developing an identity that captures the essence and the momentum of this community. There's lots of change going . WHERE LIFE'S IN FULL BLOOM

on here. We want to foster recognition within and outside Warren County, attracting audiences seeking and ideal place to live, work and play."



Special section salutes top citizens

Design Sensory presented McMinnville officials with a new logo and slogan Tuesday night. "Sow

Natural" will be replaced with "Where Life's In Full Bloom." Officials now must consider how best to

City unveils new logo, slogan

market it as a tourism generator. Pictured is Mary Blair of Design Sensory.

The *Standard* has produced a special, 24-page section inside today's edition called "Living 50 Plus."

The section features a wealth of information that's pertinent to the over-50 crowd such as stories on retirement savings, visiting elder friends, and the importance

Perhaps most importantly, the special section features

Terry Kidd Franklin Fisher Rachel Kirby Phil Mitchell Carol Ann Richardson Sharon Barnes

12 stories on high-achieving members of our community. Business owners, a police officer, a firefighter, an educator, and the creator of a nonprofit agency are among the esteemed local residents highlighted in the special section. It's a section you don't want to miss and it's inside today's edition.

The local residents featured are:

Wally Bigbee Amie Hodges Danny Martin Donna Campbell Jimmy Zavogiannis Nichole Mosley







