



# Town of Wallkill Police Department

## MEDIA RELEASE

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**For Immediate Release**  
**September 3, 2020**

**Incident:** One Arrest – Attempted Rape  
**Location:** Walmart, 470 Route 211 East, Town of Wallkill, N.Y.  
**Date/Time:** September 3, 2020 / 3:55 pm

On Thursday, September 3, 2020, at approximately 3:55 pm, Town of Wallkill Police Officer Ian Holmes responded to an “Assault” at the Walmart, 470 Route 211 East. An investigation disclosed that a 34-year-old female victim was chased through the store by a male suspect who forcibly attempted to remove her pants in an attempt to sexually assault her. The suspect, John Pascucci, 59 years old of Middletown, NY, was arrested at the scene. The defendant was charged with Attempted Rape First Degree and Forcible Touching. The defendant was arraigned by Judge Peter Green and was remanded to Orange County Jail on \$150,000 cash / \$350,000 bond, until his next court appearance on September 9, 2020 at 2:00 pm in the Town of Wallkill Court.

A criminal charge is merely an allegation by the police that a defendant has committed a violation of the criminal law, and it is not evidence of guilt. All defendants are presumed innocent and entitled to a fair trial, during which it will be the State of New York’s burden to prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

Robert C. Hertman  
Chief of Police

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