

HARLINGEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

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HONOR ◊ COURAGE ◊ INTEGRITY



Roberta Rogers Thomas
Age 45
Harlingen Resident

On November 2, 2015, Harlingen Elk's Lodge #1889 reported concerns of possible unauthorized financial transactions that had occurred over the past several months.

Detectives from the Harlingen Police Department's Major Crimes Unit began an extensive investigation in cooperation with Elk's Lodge leadership, and their associated financial institutions. During this ongoing investigation, Detectives secured evidence and testimony which led to the submission of an affidavit for a felony theft warrant of arrest for the former Elk's Lodge Treasurer / employee (identified as Roberta Rogers Thomas). The affidavit alleges that Thomas stole \$13,000.00 from an Elk's Lodge bank account without effective consent, and that the alleged stolen monies were utilized by Thomas for personal use. As a part of this investigation, members of the Major Crimes Unit also have executed a search warrant at Thomas's residence, and during this search, Detectives seized additional evidence which is now being investigated. Roberta Rogers Thomas was located and arrested on an outstanding Felony Theft warrant. This investigation continues, and any information on additional charges and/or arrests will be addressed as needed.

*The Harlingen Police Department reminds citizens to report any suspicious activity to their local police department. In Harlingen, you can contact us for Emergencies at (911) or the Police Communications Center at (956)216-5940, the H.P.D. Front Desk Supervisor at (956)216-5401, or the Harlingen Area Crime Stoppers at (956)425-TIPS (8477). **Note *** Arrestees are innocent until proven guilty in a Court of Law...*

MAGISTRATION:

OFFENSE	LEVEL	BAIL/BOND
Theft	State Jail Felony	\$15,000.00



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