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As has been a growing quality of life and safety issue across communities in every state, we in Auburn, New York have also started to see the illegal operation of motorized vehicles being driven on both City of Auburn streets and sidewalks causing not only an unsafe environment for other legally traveling motor vehicle traffic but our pedestrians alike.

According to New York State laws it is illegal to operate any of the motorized devices from the list below on any street, highway, parking lot, sidewalk or other area in New York State that allows public motor vehicle traffic. You can be arrested if do so.

- Lawnmowers
- Mini bike
- Off road motorcycle/dirt bike
- Go kart
- Golf Cart
- Registered ATV cannot be operated on any City of Auburn streets as our streets have not been designated for use by ATV's

On Thursday April 15, 2021 at approximately 10:18pm Auburn Police Officers were in the area of 270 Genesee Street on an unrelated call for service when they observed an individual operating a small Honda motor-bike traveling north bound on the sidewalk of Delevan Street into the roadway of Genesee Street and then continuing westbound avoiding the intersection of Genesee Street and Columbus street by cutting through an adjacent parking lot.

An APD officer in a patrol unit then followed the motor-bike and activated his emergency lights to signal to the bike to stop as it traveled onto and northbound on Columbus Street. The motor-bike continued weaving between the street and sidewalk of Columbus Street eventually stopping in the area of 31 Columbus Street where the operator was subsequently identified as 33 year old Paul B. Bovee. Upon further investigation it was determined Bovee



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Was operating the motor-bike with a suspended privilege to have a New York State license. After being advised he was under arrest Bovee did resist officers attempts to place him into custody. Upon searching Bovee incident to his arrest officers did discover two bags containing a brown and white powdery substance believed to be the synthetic drug "Molly." Bovee was subsequently transported to Auburn Police Headquarters, processed on the below listed charges and released on an appearance ticket pending his future court arraignment. The motor-bike Bovee was operating was towed and impounded.

ARRESTED:

CHARGES



1 Ct. Aggravated Unlicensed Operation of a MV – Misd.

1 Ct. Possession of Dangerous Drug/Substance (Cayuga County Local Law) - Misd.

1 Ct. Failure to Obey a Police Officer – Traffic Infr.

1 Ct. Operate MV with No Insurance - Traffic Infr.

1Ct. Avoiding an Intersection or Traffic Light – Traffic Infr.

1 Ct. Operate a MV on or across a sidewalk - Traffic Infr.

1 Ct. Operate an Uninspected MV

1 Ct. Operate a MV without Stop Lights – Traffic Infr.



Paul B. Bovee / 33 you 29 Staten Meadows Seneca Falls, NY 13148