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Barnes County Sheriff's Office

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The Barnes County Sheriff's Office is investigating a recent report of Animal Cruelty and Animal Abandonment.

On 03/25/2022 the Barnes County Sheriff's Office responded to the 500 block of 7th Street in Litchville ND regarding a repossession of property. During the repossession of property an individual hired by the property owner reported to Sheriff's Deputies that he found four deceased pets located on the property.

It is believed Candice and David Johnson JR. left the pets on the property unattended for a prolonged period of time without care. Candice Johnson and David Johnson JR. have been charged in Barnes County District Court with committing this crime and arrest warrants have been issued for their arrest.

Both parties have outstanding warrants for their arrest in other jurisdictions not related to Animal Cruelty or Animal Abandonment.

If you have any information regarding this incident or know the whereabouts of Candice or David Johnson JR., please contact the Barnes County Sheriff's Office at 701-845-8530.