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Tonight, just before 6 p.m., a CPD officer responded to a call to arrest a man wanted on an outstanding warrant. Once the officer arrived at the location, in the 200 block of S. 14th Avenue, the suspect ran and a short foot pursuit began. A struggle ensued as our officer attempted to safely detain 49-year-old Jonathan Petzoldt. During the struggle, Petzoldt fought and resisted arrest, even biting the officer.

Additional officers arrived on scene and Petzoldt was taken into custody without further incident. Both Petzoldt and the injured officer were treated for minor injuries sustained during the violent attack. Petzoldt will be booked on charges of battery on law enforcement officer, resist and obstruct and his warrant.

This use of force incident will be investigated and evaluated to ensure it meets or exceeds the high standards expected of all Caldwell Police officers.

“An attack on an officer is an attack on society. I am proud of my officers who used the minimal amount of force necessary to overcome resistance and defend themselves during this violent attack,” said Rex Ingram, Caldwell Chief of Police.

All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.