Wareham police arrest suspect in Rosewood Motel assault, robbery

In the early morning hours of Sunday, July 29, at about 4:15 a.m. a female was beaten and robbed at the Rosewood Motel in Wareham. The attack was vicious and resulted in serious injuries to the victim, however, the incident was not reported to Wareham Police Department until July 31. As a result of an aggressive investigation by Wareham Police Detectives, a suspect was identified and a warrant was issued by the Wareham District Court for his arrest on August 8.

On Friday, August 10, at about 9:15 a.m., two Wareham Police Detectives and a Detective from the Massachusetts State Police met at the Walpole Police station, for the purpose of locating the suspect, who was determined to be in that area.

A short while later the suspect was located on Barnstable Road in the town of Norfolk, and placed under arrest with the assistance of a Walpole Police Detective. The suspect, Roland Gervais, 30, of Brighton was transported back to the Wareham Police Department, where he was booked and then taken to Wareham District Court. He is being held on $15,000 cash bail and charged as follows:

- Unarmed Robbery
- Aggravated Assault and Battery
- Strangulation

Acting Police Chief John Walcek praised the officers in the case by saying, "As a result of the hard work of our detectives, a suspect was identified, a warrant was obtained, and the suspect was placed under arrest facing very serious felony charges."