Woman with 42 failures to show up to court charged with prostitution

Members of the New Bedford Police narcotics unit were doing undercover work when they observed a female enter a male's vehicle in the area of Linden and Purchase Street and head to Sacred Heart Cemetery, 559 Mt. Pleasant Street.

When police approached the vehicle, the couple was engaged in sexual activity. Police arrested Joaquim Carvalho of New Bedford on charges of sexual conduct for a fee and Lynn Paull of New Bedford on charges of sexual conduct for a fee and on four warrants.

Paull has a lengthy criminal record. She has failed to show up to court 42 times, requiring 42 default warrants to be issued and using valuable police resources to continually arrest her on the same offenses. She has been arrested seven times on two of the most recent charges.

The district attorney's office requested that her bail set at \$5,000. Judge Robert Ovoian set her bail at \$2,500 and it was not known if she was able to make that bail.

The arrests were made Monday, July 2 at 4:25 p.m.