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At 11:07 this morning, Bedford County 911 dispatchers received a call from a female who stated that her husband was making threats of going on a rampage. The caller stated that she was not at home when she made the call. She also advised that her husband had weapons with him. As Bedford County sheriff deputies were responding to 2089 Wheatland Road and met the suspect traveling south on Wheatland Road. Deputies attempted to stop the vehicle and a pursuit ensued. The suspect came to a stop at Flint Hill Baptist Church. Deputies attempted to have the suspect to exit the vehicle, but he failed to comply and fled the scene in the vehicle towards the Town of Bedford. At this time a Virginia State Trooper joined Bedford County deputies in their pursuit. During the vehicle pursuit the deputies and trooper reported that shots were fired from the suspect vehicle. The vehicle was stopped at 12:13 p.m. at the intersection of Dickerson Mill Rd. and Moneta Road.

George Luban Chasson, age 34, was taken into custody without incident and was transported to the Bedford Adult Detention Center and is being held without bond. Bedford County sheriff's deputies charged Chasson with felony eluding police. No one was injured during this encounter. Several firearms were found in the suspect's vehicle.

The Virginia State Police is investigating the possible discharge of a firearm during the pursuit and additional charges may be pending.

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