Maintenance Worker Sentenced for Burglary, Voyeurism

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Gerald Rowe, 66, of Milford, Ohio, was sentenced today to four years in prison by Warren County Common Pleas Court Judge Robert Peeler. In January, Rowe pled guilty to five counts of burglary, felonies of the 5th degree, and five counts of voyeurism, misdemeanors of the 2nd degree. Upon release from prison, Rowe will be required to register as a Tier I sexual offender and report once per year for 15 years.

Rowe was a maintenance man at the Steeplechase Apartments in Deerfield Township. In May 2016, a female resident contacted law enforcement after discovering a hidden camera mounted in the vent of her bathroom. Subsequently, detectives from the Warren County Sheriff's Office discovered videos from four other females' apartments from February, March, April and May of 2016. Based upon the videos, Rowe mounted the cameras to capture the female residents' activities in their bathrooms. In each of the apartments, the camera captured the female residents in states of undress. One video recovered by detectives showed images of Rowe's face while installing the camera. Rowe was interviewed by detectives and admitted to installing the cameras in the five different apartments.

Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell commended Lt. John Faine, Sgt. Brian Hounshell, Det. Mark Purdy, and Det. Chris Wong of the Warren County Sheriff's Office, Assistant Prosecutor Derek Faulkner, Director of Victim Witness Services Jessi Flint, and Legal Assistant Brenda Berry for their work on the case.



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