

# Alton man facing multiple charges after machete attack

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**ALTON** - An Alton man is facing multiple charges after attacking a woman with a machete and severing an artery in her arm.

**Lonnie D. Stamper, Jr.**, 43, of the 3300 bloc of Myrle Blvd. was charged with one count of attempted first degree murder, a Class X felony, one count of aggravated

domestic battery, a Class 2 felony and one count of aggravated battery, a Class 3 felony, after allegedly attacking **Lisa Godar** with a machete on Feb. 5, 2017, severing an artery in her arm. Bail was set for \$200,000.

**Alton Police Department Chief of Detectives Jarrett Ford** said he was "not at liberty" to discuss the suspects motives for the machete attack, but did say domestic violence calls are unpredictable, and sometimes dangerous.

"From experience, I have found that domestic related cases are often some of the more violent offenses for the subjects involved and for officers," Ford said in a message.

All three charges Stamper is facing directly resulted from the alleged machete attack.