

**Two Bowie County jail employees have been arrested after an alleged assault on an inmate.**

**David Crawford, 33, and Stuart Boozer, 38, have been arrested on charges of official oppression and tampering with a government record, according to a news release from the Bowie County Sheriffs Office.**

**Both suspects have also been terminated from their positions at the jail, according to the news release. The men were employed by LaSalle Corrections, the company that operates the Bowie County jail.**

**On June 30, the Bowie County Sheriff's Office was notified by the administrative staff of the Bowie County jail of a use of force they had reviewed that was excessive. The information about this use of force and an accompanying video was provided to the Bowie County Sheriff's Office for review, said Capt. Jeff Neal, chief deputy of BCSO.**

**Upon review of the material submitted, it appears that Correctional Officers Crawford and Boozer responded to a single occupancy cell to move an inmate from this cell to another location.**

**When they entered the cell the inmate and Crawford appear have an exchange of words. During this exchange Crawford strikes the inmate multiple times with a closed fist. Boozer attempted to restrain the inmate who did not appear to actively fighting them. According to a news release, Crawford continued to strike the inmate while he was being restrained by Boozer.**

**Arrest warrants were prepared and issued for Official Oppression and Tampering with a Government Record for both David Crawford and Stuart Boozer.**

**They both voluntarily surrendered themselves for these warrants and were arrested. Bond was set at \$15,000.00 for each charge and both subjects had bonded out of jail as of Thursday.**