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MAYS LANDING – Authorities charged a 17-year-old male Thursday morning in connection with a Monday night shooting in Pleasantville that left an Egg Harbor Township man seriously injured. The victim later died at the hospital, Atlantic County Prosecutor Ted Housel announced Thursday.

At 5:30 p.m. the night of the shooting Pleasantville police received a 911 call indicating a man was shot in the 400 Block of Alder Avenue. When they arrived they discovered Michael Maina Jr., 46, of Maple Avenue in Egg Harbor Township, in the driver's seat of a green Sport Utility Vehicle. He was bleeding profusely from the head.

Pleasantville police notified the Prosecutor's Office Major Crimes Unit. Members responded moments later to assist in the investigation and process the scene.

Maina was rushed to AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center, City Campus. He died Tuesday afternoon.

The alleged shooter was arrested late Wednesday night. The juvenile was charged with felony murder, armed robbery and possession of a firearm for an unlawful purpose. He is lodged in the Youth Detention Center at Harborfields in Egg Harbor City.

Atlantic County Medical Examiner Dr. Hydow Park performed an autopsy on Maina Wednesday. He determined the victim died of a single gunshot wound to the head.

The juvenile's first appearance is scheduled for Friday in the Family Court Division of the Atlantic County Civil Courthouse in Atlantic City.

Major Crimes Unit Detective Michael Mattioli and Pleasantville Police Detective Dee Henderson conducted the investigation.

**\*\*\*These charges are merely an accusation and not proof of guilt. In all criminal cases, a charged defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.**

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