

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

April 24, 2020

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from

April 17, 2020 – April 23, 2020. Readers are reminded that an "arrest" is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court's website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Police Service 20-003311 Meadow Lane, SW April 14 10:44 a.m.

A social worker requested a welfare check on a resident who was making concerning statements to her on the phone. After officers spoke to the resident, they transported her to an area health facility for evaluation and treatment.

Police Service 20-003499 100 Block Locust Street, SW April 16 5:00 p.m.

A resident found mouthpieces to a vaping device and vaping cartridges in her home and turned them over to the police department for destruction.

Found Property 20-003444 200 Block Marian Circle, SW Between April 17 at 12:00 p.m. and April 20 at 1:00 p.m.

A resident reported a bicycle that was left abandoned on the side of the road.

Fraud 20-003388

700 Block Ninovan Road, SE

April 17 between 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person used her personal information to purchase an iPhone and set up an account.

Grand Larceny 20-003428

400 Block Pine Street, SE

Between April 17 at 6:00 p.m. and April 19 at 5:00 p.m.

A citizen reported that someone broke into a trailer where he stores his tools and stole a leaf blower and two weed trimmers.

Grand Larceny 20-003398

1100 Block Lakewood Drive, SW

Between April 17 at 9:00 p.m. and April 18 at 8:00 a.m.

A resident reported that their vehicle was stolen. The vehicle was left unlocked with the keys inside it, parked on the roadway.

Petit Larceny 20-003406

100 Block Elm Street, SW

Between April 17 at 9:00 p.m. and April 18 at 3:30 p.m.

A resident reported that someone entered his unlocked vehicle and stole two gift cards and a pair of sunglasses. The resident also found a lighter outside his vehicle that did not belong to him

Vehicle Tampering 20-003391

100 Block Elm Street, SW

Between April 17 at 10:00 p.m. and April 18 at 4:38 a.m.

An officer was searching the area for the man involved in Incident #20-3390 when he found an unoccupied vehicle with the lights on. The officer notified the owner of the vehicle who came out to check his car and found that an unknown person had rummaged through the vehicle and had taken U.S. currency.

Vehicle Tampering 20-003395

100 Block Hickory Circle, SW

Between April 17 at 11:00 p.m. and April 18 at 10:00 a.m.

A resident reported that someone entered his unlocked vehicle and rummaged through it. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

Petit Larceny 20-003396

200 Block Elm Street, SW

Between April 17 at 11:00 p.m. and April 18 at 10:36 a.m.

A resident reported that someone entered their unlocked vehicle rummaged through it and took U.S. currency.

Grand Larceny 20-003392

700 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW

April 18 between 1:00 a.m. and 3:00 a.m.

A resident reported that their vehicle was stolen from their residence. The vehicle was left unlocked with the keys inside.

Grand Larceny 20-003403 100 Block Elm Street, SW

April 18 between 1:00 a.m. and 4:00 a.m.

A resident reported that someone rummaged through two of their unlocked vehicles. Nothing was missing from one of the vehicles. Paper prescriptions were taken from the other vehicle.

Grand Larceny 20-003390 School of Rock 111 Center Street, South April 18 4:22 a.m.

An employee was at work when he saw his vehicle was moving in the rear parking lot. The employee ran out to the lot and confronted a man who was in his vehicle. The man got out of the vehicle and fled on foot southbound on Center Street.

Found Property 20-003402 700 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW April 18 11:30 a.m.

A resident found a backpack and a tool bag in their yard.

Found Property 20-003404 200 Block Elm Street, SW April 18 11:30 a.m.

A resident found a box in her yard that contained drinking glasses.

Found Property 20-003400 200 Block Battle Street, SW April 18 2:07 p.m.

A resident turned in a cell phone that she found in her yard.

Found Property 20-003401 200 Block Elm Street, SW April 18 2:30 p.m.

A resident found various property including driver's licenses and other items in his yard.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 20-003410 500 Block Maple Avenue, West April 18 7:59 p.m.

Employees from various businesses on Maple Avenue reported a man entering their establishments and acting disorderly. Officers located the man in the area of the Chic-Fil-A. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

MPO Shaw arrested the 47-year-old man from Fox Mill Road in Oakton, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk in Public.

Petit Larceny 20-003424 200 Block Tapawingo Road, SE Between April 18 at 9:00 p.m. and April 19 at 1:00 p.m.

A resident reported that someone entered her unlocked vehicle and stole U.S. currency.

Civil Dispute 20-003416 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE April 19 2:52 a.m.

A tow truck driver was attempting to remove an unauthorized vehicle from the shopping center parking lot when he found a man sleeping inside the vehicle. Officers spoke to the man, and he agreed to make arrangements to have the vehicle moved.

Domestic Dispute 20-003418 Old Courthouse Road, NE April 19 9:30 a.m.

A resident reported she was having a verbal dispute with her ex-husband when he made a statement that she felt was threatening.

Found Property 20-003426 300 Block Courthouse Road, SW April 19 4:11 p.m.

A citizen turned in a set of keys that were found on the sidewalk.

Domestic Dispute 20-003427 Patrick Street, SE April 19 5:05 p.m.

A resident requested assistance with his adult son who was acting aggressively toward him. The son agreed to leave the apartment and stay with friends to allow both parties to calm down.

Suspicious Event 20-003443 200 Block Locust Street, SE April 20 12:15 p.m.

A resident reported issues with her roommate.

Suspicious Event 20-003452 Advanced Pediatrics 100 East Street, SE, #301 April 20 3:40 p.m.

An employee reported that they found a man walking around in their office that is currently closed to the public. When the employee questioned the man, he walked away. Officers searched the building but did not locate the man.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 20-003454 Cedar Lane School 101 Cedar Lane, SW April 20 6:10 p.m.

Officers located four men in the woods between the school and Desale Street. Upon the officers' interaction with the men, they detected an odor of marijuana. All four men were in possession of the drug.

Ofc. Farr issued summonses charging Possession of Marijuana to a 20-year-old man from Patrick Street, SE, Vienna, two 23-year-old men from Cedar Lane, SE, Vienna, and a 24-year-old man from Cedar Lane in Vienna. All of the men were released on their signatures.

Arrest - Domestic Assault 20-003455 200 Block Courthouse Circle, SW April 20 6:51 p.m.

A resident requested assistance with her adult daughter. The resident reported that her daughter had assaulted her and was making threatening statements.

Ofc. Colligan arrested the 31-year-old woman from Courthouse Road, SW, Vienna. She was transported to an area medical facility for evaluation and treatment on an Emergency Care Order. Charges for the Domestic Assault are pending.

Assist EMS 20-003492 Walgreens 225 Maple Avenue, East April 22 8:46 p.m.

Officers responded to assist with a man who stated he was suffering a medical emergency.

The man was transported by rescue personnel to an area hospital for evaluation.

Petit Larceny 20-003497

900 Block Moorefield Hill Grove, SW

Between April 22 at 11:00 p.m. and April 23 at 9:50 a.m.

A resident reported that someone entered her unlocked vehicle, rummaged through it, and took various gift cards.

Police Service 20-003502 100 Block Wade Hampton Drive, SW April 23 12:02 p.m.

A resident stated he had previously been involved in a lawsuit with a man. He is concerned because he has observed the man driving on his street and taking photos of his home.

Vandalism 20-003506 225 Maple Avenue, East

April 23 between 2:00 p.m. and 2:15 p.m.

A citizen reported that she was driving in the parking lot of the shopping. As she passed a man, he hit the window of her vehicle. The citizen parked her vehicle near Jammin Java and the man approached her car and punched the passenger side door panel, causing minor damage. An officer spoke to the man who advised he was upset with the woman because she almost struck him as he was walking through the lot. The citizen was advised of the warrant process should she wish to pursue charges against the man.

CRASHES

1000 Block Glyndon Street, SE 20-003463

April 21 12:00 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Glyndon Street, SE. Vehicle-2, a tree removal vehicle, was legally parked on the roadway in front of a construction site. Driver-1 was being directed through the construction area by a workman when she struck Vehicle-2 causing minimal damage to Vehicle-1.

<u>CASE UPDATES</u> None.

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov or 703-255-6324.

MEDIA RELEASES



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Operations Modifications in Response to COVID-19

March 18, 2020

In the interest of public safety for our residents, businesses, and visitors, the Vienna Police Department has modified its operations to increase social distancing and reduce the chance of spreading the COVID-19 virus.

This modified operation entails taking certain police reports for relatively minor and non-violent crimes by telephone. These will be cases where there is no need for evidence collection, not a crime in progress, but the incident still needs to be documented.

If you are calling to file a police report, Communications personnel will ask you questions to help determine if your call meets the criteria for a telephone follow-up and if so, you may be advised that an officer will call you back to assess the need to respond in person or complete the report via telephone. If you feel that an officer is required, you may make that request, and an officer will respond. The incident report over the telephone will go into the same records management system and will be tracked the same as if an officer responded.

If a police officer responds to your location, please be prepared to step outside to meet the officer to encourage social distancing and avoid the spread of the virus.

By using telephone reporting, you will help us limit exposure. We thank you for your understanding and support as we continue to maintain our mission of providing a safe community for all of our citizens, businesses, and visitors.

Out of an abundance of caution, we have also suspended some low priority services, which include: Ride-Along, PIO public engagements, VIN verifications, and child safety seats installations. Access to our police lobby will be restricted to immediate police assistance only. We do encourage our citizens to call the police department with questions at 703-255-6366 instead of visiting our lobby.

The Vienna Police Department continues to remain staffed, operational, and ready to respond to all emergencies, in-progress incidents, and priority calls. Day and night patrols remain at full strength, so you should not hesitate to call for assistance.

The process of handling some calls for service over the phone and limiting other services is temporary and will be continually reevaluated in the coming weeks.

Thank You, Chief Jim Morris



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Reminder

Prevention of Stolen Vehicles/Vehicle Tamperings

With the advent of warmer weather, the Town of Vienna Police Department would like to remind all Town of Vienna residents to secure their vehicles and personal belongings. Recently there have been several vehicle tamperings to include stolen vehicles from Vienna and the neighboring jurisdictions.

The Vienna Police Department would like to remind citizens of the following steps to assist in the prevention of your vehicle being tampered with or stolen:

Lock your Car Doors.

The majority of the vehicles being entered and/or stolen have been unlocked.

Remove all Valuables.

In most cases, the subjects responsible for these acts have been targeting vehicles which contain valuables such as, but not limited to, laptop computers, GPS's, pocketbooks/purses, loose change, cameras, etc. If you must leave valuables in your vehicle, please be sure to conceal the items, in the trunk, under the seats or use any other means to make them undetectable. Also, make sure to record all serial numbers, and if possible, engrave them or permanently mark the items with easily identifiable markings, in the event the items are recovered.

Remove all Keys.

The subjects who commit these crimes are aware that most new vehicles come with valet keys. Most of these keys are kept inside the vehicles, either in the center consoles, or the glove compartments or other areas easily accessible. In some instances the owners have left their keys rings containing their house keys, providing access to their homes.

Report Suspicious Activity

In some cases, the subjects have been observed wearing several layers of clothing, not consistent with the weather conditions. This is used to conceal stolen items and also to make identification difficult as they will shed layers of clothing as they flee the area when they suspect they have been observed committing a crime.

The Town of Vienna Police Department is dedicated to the safety and protection of all persons and property in the Town of Vienna. However, much of our success comes from the assistance of its concerned and observant residents.

**A reminder to secure your vehicles and remove all valuables! **
Even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway, please secure all windows and doors and remove all valuables.



CITIZEN NOTES

Vienna Police Department Construction Project Updates

Updates about the police department construction project will be posted regularly to the "Police Department Renovation" page, located under the Police Department section, at **viennava.gov**, or follow the below link.

** As we move forward with designing and ultimately constructing a new facility, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. To begin that effort a link has been established on the police department page of the Town of Vienna website (https://www.viennava.gov/index.aspx?NID=1225), and we will be providing regular updates about the process in these Highlights.

Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something! We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.