

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

June 19, 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 June 12, 2020 – June 18, 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)

<u>INCIDENTS</u>

Fraud 20-4823 US Resources, Inc. 115 Beulah Road, Suite 200C

Between February 3 at 7:00 a.m. and June 15 at 7:00 a.m.

An employee in the company's finance department reported that they received a request for an employee's direct deposit for their paycheck to be reassigned to a different account. It was later determined that the employee did not make the request and the money was being sent to a fraudulent account.

Fraud 20-004799 Westwood Country Club 800 Maple Avenue, East March 17 12:00 p.m.

An employee reported that one of the business checks they mailed out was altered and cashed by an unknown person.

Fraud 20-004671 Capital One Bank 246 Maple Avenue, East April 10 8:00 a.m.

A resident reported that she had a large amount of money in an account with Chevy Chase Bank for several years. That bank was eventually bought out by Capital One Bank. Since the buyout, the resident has inquired to the bank about her money. She believes that one of her relatives may have been given unauthorized access to her account and withdrew the money.

Petit Larceny 20-004600 500 Block Kingsley Road, SW Between June 7 at 10:00 p.m. and June 8 at 3:00 p.m. A resident reported two bicycles were taken from his backyard.

Police Service 20-004682 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE June 11 between 6:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

A resident was unable to locate her husband and was concerned for his welfare. It was determined her husband had been arrested and was in the custody of another law enforcement agency.

Animal Complaint 20-004764 Hope Advanced Veterinary Center 140 Park Street, SE June 11 12:00 p.m.

A cat was brought from Arlington, Virginia to the Hope Advanced Veterinary Center with neurological symptoms and needed to be euthanized. At the request of the center's staff, ACO Barker transported the cat to the Fairfax County Health Department for rabies testing.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated 20-004678 500 Block Glyndon Street, NE June 11 1:57 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a possible hit and run in the parking lot of the Bear Branch Tavern, 133 Maple Avenue, NE. MPO Lose observed the striking vehicle traveling in the area of Glyndon Street and Springwood Court, NE, and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he detected signs of impairment. After the driver failed a series of field sobriety tests, he was placed under arrest. The driver was transported to the Vienna Police Station, where he provided a sample of his breath for analysis.

The 58-year-old man from Glyndon Street, NE, was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where and charged with Driving While Intoxicated.

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated / Narcotics Violation / Hit & Run 20-004707 300 Block Lawyers Road, NW

June 11 11:03 p.m.

Vehicle-1 drove through a yard, struck a vehicle that was parked in the driveway twice, struck the front steps of the residence and a bird feeder, then fled the scene. An officer observed the vehicle traveling on Windover Avenue, NW, and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, they detected signs of impairment. A measurable amount of marijuana and paraphernalia were found in the vehicle, and the driver had a fake identification card in his possession. The driver failed to complete a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

MPO Smith transported the 19-year-old man from Armory Court in Fairfax, Virginia to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he provided a sample of his breath for analysis. The man was charged with Driving While Intoxicated, Possession of Marijuana, two counts of Hit & Run, and Possession of False Identification.

Suspicious Event 20-004719 300 Block Lewis Street, NW June 12 1:12 p.m.

While clearing out a home of an elderly resident, a moving crew found a grenade. Fairfax County Police Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Unit was contacted and responded to assess the grenade. EOD determined the grenade was inert and took possession of it for disposal.

Threats 20-004723 100 Block Patrick Street, SE June 12 4:19 p.m.

A resident began receiving threatening messages through a gaming platform from an unknown person.

Fraud 20-004783 T-Mobile 216 Maple Avenue, West June 12 4:45 p.m.

A citizen reported that someone used his personal information to access his T-Mobile account.

Found Property 20-004734 Vienna Police Station 215 Center Street, South June 13 11:56 a.m.

A citizen turned in U.S. currency they found on the bike trail.

Fraud 20-004780 900 Block Desale Street, SW June 13 12:00 p.m.

A citizen reported a package was delivered to a vacant rental home that they own. The citizen notified Apple regarding the delivery and she was informed that someone used her personal information to open an account a make the purchase.

Assault 20-004735 200 Block Locust Street, SE June 13 12:24 p.m.

A resident reported that her roommate shoved her during an argument. The resident was advised of the warrant process should she wish to pursue charges against her roommate.

Burglary 20-004765 400 Block Malcolm Road, NW Between June 13 at 4:00 p.m. and June 15 at 7:41 a.m.

Someone forced entry into a house under construction and stole paint.

Vandalism 20-004755
Vienna Shell Station
252 Maple Avenue, West
Between June 13 at 10:00 p.m. and June 14 at 10:00 a.m.
An employee reported vandalism to one of the gas pumps.

Shoplifting 20-004757 ABC Store 436 Maple Avenue, East June 14 1:17 p.m.

An employee reported that a man took a bottle of alcohol from the store without paying for it.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 20-004787 Nutley Street and Kingsley Road, SW June 15 4:34 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a man riding on the hood of a vehicle on Nutley Street. When they located the vehicle, they found the windshield was smashed. The driver stated that she attempted to deliver medication to her adult son at the Wolftrap Hotel. Her son became agitated, jumped on her vehicle while yelling at her and broke the windshield. Officers located the man in the median of Nutley Street. He was agitated and bleeding from several cuts on his arm. Rescue personnel responded and were able to convince the man to allow them to treat him and transport him to an area hospital. The driver was treated by rescue personnel at the scene for injuries she sustained from the broken glass.

Destruction of Property 20-004794 600 Block Yeonas Drive, SW Between June 15 at 11:00 p.m. and June 16 at 5:00 a.m.

A resident reported that someone cut his telephone and internet lines. The resident has previously had other issues with someone causing the same type of damage to his Verizon lines.

Animal Complaint 20-004797 100 Block Yeonas Drive, SE June 16 9:15 a.m.

ACO Barker responded to the complaint of a dog running at large. Attempts to locate an owner were unsuccessful and the dog was transported to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter.

Found Property 20-004809
100 Block Church Street, NE
June 16 3:30 p.m.
A citizen turned in a cell phone that he found in the road.

Lost Property 20-004810 300 Block Arcadian Circle, SW June 16 3:42 p.m.

A resident reported that he lost his passport.

Suspicious Event 20-004820

7-11

427 Maple Avenue, East

June 16 10:18 p.m.

An employee reported that the store's security video showed a person taking a customer's cell phone. The owner of the phone advised that the person returned the phone to him and he did not want any further assistance in the matter.

CRASHES

Yeonas Drive and Cottage Street, SW 20-004440

June 1 6:00 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was making a right turn from westbound Yeonas Drive onto northbound Cottage Street, SW. Vehicle-1, a juvenile on a bicycle, came off the sidewalk and impacted the front right wheel well of Vehicle-2. Driver-2 walked the juvenile home and spoke to his parents. The juvenile bicyclist suffered minor scrapes.

Maple Avenue near Follin Lane, SE20-004618 June 9 3:30 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue when she reported another driver cut her off and she ran into a utility pole.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Driving on a Suspended Operator's License.

CASE UPDATES

None.

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

VIENNA AND THE REST OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA REMAINS PHASE TWO

The Northern Virginia region joins the rest of the state in Phase Two of Gov. Ralph Northam's Forward Virginia. For more information, navigate to https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus-updates/

<u>MEDIA RELEASES</u>



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.