

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

August 16, 2019

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from August 9 – August 15, 2019. 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

Vandalism 19-008363 600 Block Gibson Circle. SW August 3 between 2:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. A resident reported vandalism to his vehicle.

Petit Larceny 19-008358 600 Block Meadow Lane, SW Between August 8 at 8:00 p.m. and August 9 at 6:50 a.m.

A resident reported that someone vandalized his vehicle and stole his side-view mirror.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 19-008355 McDonald's 544 Maple Avenue, West August 9 2:08 a.m.

Officers responding to an alarm at the restaurant were advised that there was a man who was irate and yelling at customers. Officers located the man in the parking lot. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment. Ofc. Colligan placed the man under arrest. The man began complaining of pain, and rescue personnel were summoned to evaluate him.

The man was transported to an area hospital for treatment by rescue personnel. At the hospital, Ofc. Colligan issued a summons to the 52-year-old man from Washington Plaza in Reston, Virginia charging Drunk In Public. The man was released on his signature and left in the care of the hospital staff.

Animal Case – Quarantine 19-008370 900 Block Woodnor Drive, NE August 9 8:30 a.m.

A citizen was walking in the area when he observed two young girls walking a dog on a leash. The girls were unable to restrain the dog, and the dog jumped up and bit the citizen on the knee. The girls' father came out of the house and restrained the dog. ACO Barker advised the owner of the 10-day quarantine.

Found Property 19-008373 Vienna Town Hall 127 Center Street, South August 9 10:25 a.m.

A citizen turned in a wallet that they found on the sidewalk in front of Town Hall.

Grand Larceny 19-008529 Ghaffari Orthodontics 100 Church Street, NE

Between August 9 at 5:00 p.m. and August 12 at 12:00 p.m.

A member of the Vienna Art's Society reported that one of their benches was stolen from in front of Ghaffari Orthodontics.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 19-008392 200 Block Maple Avenue, East August 9 8:51 p.m.

Sgt. Ruddy observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, she detected an odor of marijuana. The officer found the driver was in possession of a measurable amount of marijuana, drug paraphernalia, and a vaping device containing other possible intoxicating oils.

Sgt. Ruddy issued a summons to the 19-year-old man with no fixed address charging Possession of Marijuana. The man was released on his signature.

Suspicious Person 19-008401 100 Block Elm Street, SW August 9 between 10:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

A resident advised she was being continuously harassed by an ex-boyfriend. An officer spoke to both parties who agreed to have no further contact with each other.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 19-008405 100 Block Church Street, NW August 10 12:47 a.m.

MPO Shaw was checking on a vehicle that was idling on Church Street. The officer found a man sleeping in the vehicle. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, he detected the odor of alcohol. The man exited his vehicle, and the officer observed signs of impairment.

MPO Shaw arrested the 34-year-old man from Promenade Place in Waldorf, Maryland. The man was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public.

Found Property 19-008418 500 Block Park Street, SE August 10 10:59 a.m.

A citizen turned in a credit card that was found on Park Street.

Lost Property 19-008462 Church Street and Mill Street, NE August 10 7:00 p.m.

A citizen reported that he lost his ring near the caboose while running on the W&OD trail.

Suspicious Event 19-008471 600 Block Gibson Circle, SW August 11 10:26 p.m.

A resident reported that he had an on-going dispute with a former acquaintance. The resident reported that he is now receiving threatening texts from the acquaintance.

Suspicious Event 19-8481

W&OD Trail between Park Street and Branch Road, SE

August 12 7:50 a.m.

A citizen was running on the bike trail when she observed a man in the woods masturbating. Officers searched the area but did not locate the man.

Assist EMS 19-008495 100 Block Church Street, NW August 12 1:19 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a suspicious man. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they found he was conscious but possibly suffering a medical emergency. Rescue personnel were summoned and evaluated the man. The man refused transport to a medical facility for further treatment.

Suspicious Event 19-008507 The Wolftrap Hotel 430 Maple Avenue, West August 12 5:41 p.m.

A woman and her mother are staying in a room at the hotel. The woman advised she had previously obtained a warrant against a man for an assault that had occurred in another jurisdiction. She stated that earlier in the day, the man came to the hotel while her mother was in the room alone and began banging on the window. The hotel staff advised the man to leave the premises. The women and hotel staff were advised to call the police if the man returns.

Arrest – Assault 19-008511 600 Block Gibson Circle, SW August 12 8:21 p.m.

A resident stated that several men drove to his home, exited their vehicle holding a baseball bat and firearms (undetermined if the guns were airsoft guns or other firearms) and began threatening the resident. The resident advised this incident was the result of an on-going dispute (*Incident #19-8471*). The resident armed himself with his firearm before confronting the men. One of the men began approaching the resident while swinging the baseball bat. The resident was in fear of bodily harm and pointed his firearm at the man advising him to leave the area. The man continued to advance toward the resident in a threatening manner before all of the men got back into their vehicle and left the area.

Ofc. Farr obtained a warrant for the man who was threatening the resident. On August 13, PFC Post served the warrant on the 19-year-old man from Laurel Ridge Road in Vienna, VA. The man was arrested and transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Assault.

Suspicious Event 19-008544 200 Block Church Street, NE August 13 1:34 p.m.

A contractor was hired by the Town to remove a tree to make way for construction. A resident in the area was upset that the tree was being removed and threatened the contractor.

Suspicious Event 19-008552

W&OD Bike Trail near Park Street and Dominion Road, SE

August 13 3:25 p.m.

A citizen was walking in the area of the bike trail when she observed a man in the woods masturbating. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the man.

Destruction of Property 19-008581 Navy Federal Credit Union 820 Follin Lane, SE

August 14 between 8:20 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

An employee advised she parked her vehicle in the parking lot. While driving home, she discovered one of her tires had been damaged.

Suspicious Event 19-008580 900 Block Fairway Drive, NE April 14 7:08 p.m.

A resident hired a company to remove a tree in her yard. At the resident's request, some of the logs were stacked in her yard behind the garage. The resident believes someone may have entered her yard and taken some of the logs.

Found Property 19-008613 East Street and Ayr Hill Avenue, NE August 15 12:08 p.m.

A citizen found a car key in the area of Stream Valley Park.

Exposure 19-008620

W&OD Bike Trail near Park Terrace Court, SE

August 15 between 7:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.

A woman came to the police station at 5:06 p.m. to report an incident that occurred earlier in the day. The woman advised she was walking near the W&OD Trail when a man came out from a wooded area and approached her with his pants down, exposing himself to her. The woman stated the man began to follow her until a trash truck approached and he left the area.

CRASHES

300 Block Courthouse Road, SW 19-008283

August 7 6:59 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Courthouse when a dog ran onto the road and was struck. The dog's owner was notified.

Wells Fargo Bank 19-008369

212 Maple Avenue, East

August 9 9:14 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by an unknown vehicle. The striking vehicle then fled the scene.

100 Block Maple Avenue, West 19-008385

August 9 4:46 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was slowing in the travel lane of westbound Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 struck Vehicle-2 as she was attempting to pass the vehicle and make a turn with the green traffic light.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

700 Block Cottage Street, SW 19-008390

August 9 8:20 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound on Cottage Street when she struck Vehicle-2, a legally parked vehicle. Driver-1 fled the scene without providing her information. The owner of Vehicle-2 was able to provide descriptive information of the striking vehicle which allowed officers to identify the driver.

Charges are pending in this accident.

100 Block Patrick Street, SE 19-008465

August 11 1:15 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by an unknown vehicle. The striking vehicle then fled the scene.

359 Maple Avenue, East 19-008484

August 12 9:38 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by an unknown vehicle. The striking vehicle then fled the scene.

436 Maple Avenue, East 19-008504

August 12 3:30 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound in the left lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 was exiting the parking lot of 436 Maple Avenue to turn left onto Maple Avenue. As Vehicle-1 entered the roadway, it was struck by Vehicle-2.

Drive-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Maple Avenue near Niblick Drive, SE 19-008577 August 14 12:40 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound in the left lane of Maple Avenue approaching Niblick Drive. Vehicle-2 slowed to a stop in traffic. Vehicle-1 was unable to stop and ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

CASE UPDATES

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

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.

Interested in becoming a Vienna police officer?

Consider joining one of the premier law enforcement agencies in Northern Virginia. The Town of Vienna Police Department offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits.

For application information, please call 703-255-6350 or visit: http://agency.governmentjobs.com/vienna/default.cfm

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.