

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 14, 2022

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from January 7, 2022 to January 13, 2022. 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)

On July 1, 2021, citizens will be able to access Community Policing data via https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h. The Vienna Police Department had started complying with this state law in July of 2020. The portal will contain all non-consensual investigatory stops made by the Vienna Police Departments and other law enforcement agencies in the commonwealth.

Car Thefts and Tamperings

The National Capital Area and specifically the Northern Virginia area, has seen increased vehicle tampering incidents and vehicle thefts. In some incidents, suspects entered homes through unlocked doors and open garage doors to steal property and keys to vehicles. The suspects then used the vehicle keys to gain entry into vehicles and use them to get away. The Vienna Police Department would like to remind our community members to please stay vigilant, close, and lock all doors of residences and garages to prevent criminals from targeting your property.

If you see suspicious activity or persons, we ask that you notify the police department at 703-255-6366 or, in case of an emergency 9-1-1.

INCIDENTS

Animal Case – Quarantine 22-000224 100 Block Tapawingo Road, SE December 31 12:00 p.m.

On January 11, the Health Department reported a dog bite that occurred on December 31 when a resident was bitten by his dog. The 10-day quarantine period has already expired. ACO Barker followed up with the resident.

Grand Larceny 22-000113
Balance Art Acupuncture
450 Maple Avenue, East, Suite311
January 6 between 12:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

An employee reported that his wallet was stolen from his desk.

Assist EMS 22-000111 Mill Street and Ayr Hill Avenue, NE January 6 1:29 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a medical emergency with CPR in progress. The man was found lying unconscious in the roadway behind his vehicle. Officers notified the man's family while rescue personnel immediately transported the man to an area hospital where he died a short time later.

Arrest – Driving on a Revoked License 22-000117 500 Block Glyndon Street, NE January 6 7:34 p.m.

An officer initiated a traffic stop and found that the driver's license status was revoked.

PFC McElhattan arrested the 59-year-old man from Glyndon Street, NE, and transported him to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Driving on Revoked.

Grand Larceny 22-000177 200 Block Maple Avenue, West Between January 7 at 2:00 p.m. and January 10 at 8:00 a.m.

A contractor reported that copper pipes were stolen from the construction site.

Found Property 22-000152
Caboose Brewing Company
520 Mill Street, NE
January 8 4:00 p.m.
A citizen found a set of keys in the parking lot.

Threats 22-000155 1100 Block Drake Street, SW January 8 9:49 p.m.

A resident reported that her ex-boyfriend threatened her. This incident occurred outside of the Town of Vienna, and the resident was advised on how to obtain a restraining order and to report it to the jurisdiction where it happened.

Narcotics Violation 22-000161 900 Block Maple Avenue, East January 9 3:56 a.m.

An officer observed a vehicle that was stopped on Maple Avenue. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, she detected an odor of marijuana. Both the driver and passenger were under 21-years of age. The passenger had a small amount of marijuana in his possession. The officer confiscated the marijuana and verbally warned the two individuals of possessing marijuana under the age of 21.

Drunk In Public 22-000167 200 Block Locust Street, SE January 10 1:00 a.m.

Officers responding to the report of an intoxicated person found a man lying on the ground near his apartment balcony. Officers assisted the man into his residence.

Business Alarm 22-000169 Social Burger 350 Maple Avenue, West January 10 2:45 a.m.

Officers responding to an alarm found an unsecured door. They searched the restaurant and found that nothing appeared to have been disturbed. An employee was notified to secure the business.

Grand Larceny 22-000240 Vienna Arsenal 386 Maple Avenue, East January 10 between 12:40 p.m. and 12:57 p.m.

An employee reported that a customer purchased ammunition, then continued to browse around the store. It was later discovered that two firearms were missing. Security video shows the man concealing the two firearms and leaving the business.

Arrest – Assault 22-000239 Flagship Carwash 540 Maple Avenue, West January 11 4:37 p.m.

A woman was driving her vehicle through the carwash and was refusing to follow the employees' directions to drive her vehicle forward. The carwash conveyor belt continued to run causing the vehicle behind the woman to run into the rear of her vehicle. The woman then exited her vehicle and blocked the other vehicle from exiting the carwash. An employee got into the woman's vehicle to move it out of the way and the woman began assaulting the employee.

Ofc. Mayar issued a summons to the 26-year-old woman from Will Street in Capitol Heights, Maryland charging Assault and Battery. The woman was released on her signature.

Grand Larceny 22-000278 CVS 337 Maple Avenue, East January 12 4:11 p.m.

An employee found an unknown man in the break room going through the employees' personal property. When she confronted the man, he fled the store. A short time later, another employee discovered that her wallet was stolen from the break room.

Vehicle Tampering 22-000299 1000 Block Lynn Street, SW

Between January 12 at 6:30 p.m. and January 13 at 1:45 p.m.

A resident reported that someone entered her vehicle and rummaged through it. Nothing appeared to have been stolen.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

Maple Avenue and Beulah Road, NE 22-000109 January 6 12:28 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued four summonses charging Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention, No Insurance, Operating an Uninspected Vehicle, and Expired Registration.

115 Beulah Road, NE 22-000110

January 6 12:41 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Beulah Road. Vehicle-1 was exiting a parking lot, attempting to turn left onto Beulah Road, and struck Vehicle-2.

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

Park Street and Locust Street, SE 22-000114 January 6 4:43 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling west on Locust Street, entering the traffic circle to turn left onto southbound Park Street. Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Park Street, disregarded the yield sign, and struck Vehicle-2.

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

300 Block Maple Avenue, East 22-000187

January 10 2:00 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound in the same lane on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

Maple Avenue and Branch Road, SE 22-000190 January 10 2:10 p.m.

Pedestrian-1 was crossing Maple Avenue with the pedestrian signal, walking southbound to Branch Road. Vehicle-1 was eastbound in the right lane of Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 struck Pedestrian-1 and the driver continued eastbound without stopping. Pedestrian refused rescue.

Maple Avenue and Niblick Drive, SE 22-000241 January 11 8:00 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound in the left lane on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 turned left onto Maple Avenue from Niblick Drive and struck Vehicle-2. Driver-1 continued westbound on Maple Avenue without stopping.

Maple Avenue and St. Andrews Drive, NE 22-000302 January 13 6:50 a.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 slowed to make a right turn onto St. Andrews Drive. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

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

CITIZEN NOTES



Week of January 17th

- Install box culvert in the north parking area
- Start installing windows on the exterior
- Continue MEP rough-in on the second floor
- Continue light gauge metal stud framing at the second floor
- Complete interior CMU masonry walls at the second floor
- Continue installation of the elevator
- Continue waterproofing plaza seat walls (weather permitting)
- Start VRF units on the mechanical roof

Week of January 24th

- Start backfilling footings for the community plaza (weather permitting)
- Install concrete subgrade at the community plaza (weather permitting)
- Continue installing masonry at west and south site walls (weather permitting)
- Continue MEP rough-in on the first and second floor
- Continue light gauge metal stud framing at the second floor
- Continue interior CMU masonry walls at the second floor
- Continue installation of the elevator

**As we move forward with the new facility's construction, Chief Morris is committed to keeping the Vienna community informed and involved in the process. A link has also been established on the Town of Vienna website (https://vienna.prod.govaccess.org/your-government/town-departments-at-your-service/police/police-station-construction/-fsiteid-1) for your information.



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release Warning: McAfee Scam Email

Detectives with the Vienna Police Department are investigating two separate scam incidents related to a "McAfee Antivirus" email. Detectives advised that the scam usually begins with an email that purports to be from McAfee informing citizens that they are being charged \$300 for "McAfee Total Protection anti-virus software" unless they cancel the order by calling a phone number provided in the email. If you call the number provided, you will be greeted by a scammer posing as a McAfee employee who will ask for personal information, including a bank account number supposedly to verify the account. After receiving the personal information, the scammer will request a wire transfer of funds which will be nearly impossible to reverse once it is completed. The Vienna Police Department provides the following guidelines for spotting and avoiding a "phishing" email:

- 1) Always check the sender's email. Phishing emails may look like they are from a legitimate company you trust. Most of the time, you can tell it is a phishing scam if the sender's email address consists of random numbers and letters. If you are unsure, research the email of the company.
- 2) Look for spelling and grammatical errors. Phishing emails tend to have multiple spelling and grammatical errors in them.
- 3) Phishing emails will attempt to trick you through a sense of urgency in order to click on a link or open an attachment. You can inspect the link by hovering the mouse over it without clicking on it—only open attachments from trusted and verified sources.
- 4) Phishing emails may trick you by saying:
 - a. They've noticed suspicious activity or login attempts
 - b. Claim there are account problems or problems with payment information
 - c. Ask to confirm personal information
 - d. Attach fake invoices
 - e. Provide a link to allow for a payment
 - f. Threaten to arrest
 - g. Offer money or free items

If you feel you have fallen victim to a phishing scam, please call the police non-emergency number, 703-255-6366, to report it. You can also report phishing emails to your email provider or the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) using their website. Useful links containing phishing email examples, how to avoid phishing emails, and FTC reporting procedures are attached below:

https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-recognize-and-avoid-phishing-scams

https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/topics/online-security

For further information please contact:

M.P.O. Juan Vazquez - Town of Vienna Police Department
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Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Operations Modifications

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. There 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 the 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 seat 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