

VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

March 11, 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 March 4, 2022 to March 10, 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

Juvenile Case 22-002200 James Drive, SW July 18, 2021 4:58 a.m.

The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received a cyber-tip regarding an inappropriate photo of a juvenile and concerning statements that were made online through Snapchat. An officer spoke to the juvenile responsible for the posts and to his parents. The juvenile was counseled on the dangers and possible consequences of these types of posts.

Fraud 22-002098

500 Block Lincoln Street, NW

Between February 2 at 12:00 p.m. and March 2 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that he met a woman through an online dating site and began communicating with her through social media. The woman convinced the resident to use a website to start investing in Cryptocurrencies. The resident deposited a large sum of money through several transactions. When the woman attempted to get the resident to invest more money, he refused. He later discovered all of his investments had been taken from his crypto account.

Grand Larceny 22-002245

200 Block Moore Avenue, SE

Between February 15 at 10:00 a.m. and March 5 at 10:00 a.m.

A resident reported that several pieces of jewelry were stolen from her home.

Petit Larceny 22-002058 Sally Beauty 329 Maple Avenue, East March 3 6:55 p.m.

An employee reported that a man tried unsuccessfully to make a purchase using two gift cards. When the transactions did not go through, the man grabbed the items a fled the store without paying for them.

Telephone Case 22-002168 Wawa 465 Maple Avenue, West March 6 3:02 a.m.

Employees reported that they received several harassing phone calls from an unknown person.

Animal Case 22-002215 Hope Advanced Veterinary Center 140 Park Street, SE March 6 6:00 p.m.

A technician was bitten by a dog during a procedure. The dog was euthanized due to medical issues. ACO Barker transported the dog to the Health Department for rabies testing. On March 8, the Health Department reported that the rabies test was negative.

Animal Case 22-002188 TD Bank 308 Maple Avenue, East March 6 8:38 p.m.

An officer responded to the report of an injured deer that appeared to have been struck by a vehicle. The officer found the deer was gravely injured and euthanized the animal.

Police Service 22-002221 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE March 7 11:20 a.m.

A resident requested advice in dealing with various civil matters.

Assault 22-002248 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE March 7 7:45 p.m.

A citizen reported that she was walking to her vehicle after work when she was assaulted by her brother's girlfriend in the parking lot. The citizen was advised of the warrant process should she wish to pursue charges.

Suspicious Event 22-002247 Tobacco King 332 Maple Avenue, West March 7 7:49 p.m.

A citizen called to report that a month ago, she observed several young adults enter the store and she is concerned that the employees may be selling tobacco products to persons under the age of 21.

Open Door 22-002289 436 Maple Avenue, East March 9 12:31 a.m.

An officer observed an open door at the vacant building. Officers searched the building, found that no one was inside, and secured the door.

Stolen Vehicle Recovery 22-002296 307 Maple Avenue, East March 9 6:56 a.m.

A citizen reported a suspicious vehicle that was unattended and stuck on a curb with the engine running. Officers determined the vehicle was reported as stolen in Fairfax County and had been abandoned when the driver got the vehicle stuck on the curb.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

359 Maple Avenue, East 22-002113

March 4 6:51 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the parking lot when it was struck by Vehicle-1. Driver-1 fled the area without providing their information.

Park Street and Kingsley Road, SE 22-002185 March 6 2:53 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound on Park Street. Vehicle-1 was turning left onto Park Street from Kingsley Road when the two vehicles collided.

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

Nutley Street and Tapawingo Road, SW 22-0022249 March 7 9:06 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound on Nutley Street. Vehicle-1 was southbound on Nutley, turning left onto Tapawingo Road when the vehicles collided.

Driver-1 was transported to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

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 March 14th

- Complete paving of the parking lot area (weather permitting)
- Complete concrete sub-base in plaza and south entrance
- Continue with masonry in the plaza and exterior walls
- Start prime and paint drywall basement level
- Complete MEP/insulation wall close-in inspections on the first floor
- Continue MEP_FP rough-in on the second level
- Continue installing glass on exterior windows/curtain wall system
- Complete installing curtain wall on the community plaza
- Start Troy build-out of the firing range
- Complete installation fiber cement siding
- Complete fire line flush
- Hydro inspection first-floor level

Week of March 21th

- Cabinet delivery
- Install decorative fencing on the site walls
- Start exterior caulking
- Start hanging drywall first-floor level
- Complete prime/paint in the basement level
- Continue trim-out ceiling for MEP on first-floor community area
- Continue MEP_FP rough-in second level
- Complete installing glass on exterior windows/curtain wall
- Continue build-out of firing range area
- Complete site concrete

**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.



Vienna Police Department INFORMATION BULLETIN

FOR PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

BURGLARY

These two suspects were involved in a burglary and unlawful entry that occurred in the 200 block of Dominion Road NE on December 26, 2021.







Suspect 2

If you recognize these suspects or have any information, please contact Det. Marcos Herrera, Marcos.Herrera@viennava.gov, (703) 255-7821, reference case number 2021-7988

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January 18, 2022



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