

# **VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS**

July 29, 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

July 22, 2022 to July 28, 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 <u>Ruth.Rohr@viennava.gov</u>)

On July 1, 2021, citizens will be able to access Community Policing data via <u>https://data.virginia.gov/stories/s/rden-cz3h</u>. 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

Fraud 22-007670 Cameo Coins 444 Maple Avenue, East April 14 between 12:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. A citizen reported that someone used her debit card for unauthorized transactions at Cameo Coins.

Vehicle Tampering 22-007667 200 Block Pleasant Street, SW

#### Between June 30 at 1:00 p.m. and July 21 at 4:30 p.m.

On July 25, a resident reported that while he was out of town someone gained entry to his locked vehicle and rummaged through it, causing damage to the glove box.

Found Property 22-007197 Vienna Police Station 301 Center Street, South July 13 11:00 a.m. A citizen turned in a credit card that they found.

Petit Larceny 22-007418 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE July 16 between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. A resident reported U.S. currency was stolen from their home.

Grand Larceny 22-007597 Hope Advanced Veterinary Center 140 Park Street, SE Between July 22 at 6:50 p.m. and July 23 at 11:00 p.m.

A citizen reported that someone rummaged through their vehicle while it was parked in the parking lot and stole her wallet. The citizen's debit card was used to make unauthorized purchases.

Animal Case 22-007594 Vienna Dog Park 700 Courthouse Road, SW July 22 between 9:30 p.m. and 9:52 p.m.

An officer responded to the dog park for the report of a person acting belligerent and having difficulty getting their dog into their vehicle. The dog ran off and was caught by a citizen at Nottoway Park. Fairfax County Animal Control picked up the dog and took it to the shelter before the owner could be located. The owner of the dog was advised to contact the animal shelter to retrieve the dog.

#### Vandalism 22-007611 Westwood Country Club 800 Maple Avenue, East Between July 22 at 11:30 p.m. and July 23 at 5:00 a.m.

An employee reported that the grounds crew found multiple areas around the golf course that were vandalized during the night. *Please see the Information Bulleting in the Citizen's Notes below.* 

# Suspicious Event, Assault, Eluding, Hit & Run 22-007656, 22-007658, 22-007659, & 22-007660

# Lullaby Lane and Harmony Drive, SE July 24 7:10 p.m.

Officers responding to the report of an unconscious man in the driver's seat of a pickup truck found the man slumped over the console with the engine running and locked doors. Officers repeatedly attempted to wake the man and gain entry to the vehicle to check on his well-being. The driver abruptly woke up and ignored the officers' commands, accelerating sharply toward one of the officers, almost striking him, then fleeing the scene.

While fleeing, the driver struck a citizen's vehicle and again continued to flee. The two occupants of the struck vehicle were transported to an area hospital for non-life-threatening injuries. Officers responded to the magistrate's office and obtained four felony warrants for the suspect.

On July 25, at approximately 6:20 a.m., officers from Fairfax City Police apprehended the suspect on unrelated charges. Sgt. Ruddy and Ofc. Carne were notified of his apprehension to serve the felony warrants. The 31-year-old man from Niki Place in Manassas, Virginia, was charged with Assault on a Police Officer, Hit and Run, and two counts of Eluding Police.

Found Property 22-007675 Southside Park 1317 Ross Drive, SW July 25 2:32 p.m. A group of juveniles turned in a set of keys they found in the park near the playground.

#### Assault 22-007720 200 Block Cedar Lane, SE July 26 7:45 p.m.

A juvenile reported that she was approached by a man in the shopping center who began speaking to her, then assaulted her by grabbing her shirt and biting her lip. After the encounter, the juvenile went into Pizza Bolis where the man approached her again, offering her money to come to his apartment. The man left the area, walking back toward the apartments. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the man. The officers determined that the juvenile was reported as a runaway from Fairfax County. Fairfax County Police responded to take custody of the juvenile and transport her home.

#### Suspicious Event 22-007765 100 Block Patrick Street, SE July 27 8:42 p.m.

A resident reported a dispute with another driver over the right of way in the parking lot of her apartment building. The resident advised that a security guard for the complex was attempting to pull out of the parking lot, which blocked her from entering, and she believed his actions may have been aggressive. The security guard stated that he was unable to exit the parking lot until the resident moved her vehicle and was not acting aggressively toward her.

### CASE UPDATES

None.

# <u>CRASHES</u>

#### 521 Maple Avenue, West 22-007709 July 25 2:32 p.m.

Vehicle-1 reversed out of a parking space and struck Vehicle-2 (a legally parked vehicle) causing minimal damage. Vehicle-1 fled the scene. On July 26, the owner of Vehicle-2 observed what she believed was the striking vehicle parked in the parking lot. An officer located the owner/driver of Vehicle-1 who accepted responsibility for the accident.

#### Maple Avenue and Follin Lane, SE 22-007710

#### July 26 2:30 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was on Follin Lane, turning left onto westbound Maple Avenue with a green light for turning traffic. Vehicle-1 was exiting the Westwood Country Club parking lot, turning right onto Maple Avenue when the two vehicles collided.

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

## <u>CITIZEN NOTES</u>



#### HARD HAT CORNER

Week of August 1st

- Re-submit fire alarm drawings
- Complete install of flashing on flat roofs
- Test all exterior light system
- Point up touch-up paint on all floors
- Complete installing epoxy floors on the first floor and basement level.
- Continue to work on the IT room on the first and second floors
- Test security system and hot punch
- Work on punch list on first and second floor level
- Start owner walk on the basement level

#### Week of August 8th

- Re-test fire alarm system
- Work on roof punch list items
- Work on exterior punch list items
- Complete Point up touch up paint all floors
- Complete final paint on all walls
- Complete work on the IT room on the first and second floors
- Test security system and hot punch
- Work on punch list on first and second floor level
- Start construction clean

\*\*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 (<u>https://vienna.prod.govaccess.org/your-government/town-departments-at-your-service/police/police-station-construction/-fsiteid-1</u>) for your information.



# Vienna Police Department INFORMATIONAL BULLETIN

#### FOR PUBLIC DISSEMINATION

## DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

Between 2:00 AM and 3:00 AM on July 23, 2022, a group of unidentified males damaged the grounds and equipment at Westwood Country Club, 800 Maple Avenue E, Vienna, VA 22180. Video surveillance captured them and the images below were obtained. Estimates of the cost of the damage to the grounds and property exceeded \$2000.





If you have information on these suspects or incident, please contact Sergeant J. K. Sheeran, James.Sheeran@viennava.gov, (703) 255-7826, reference case number 2022-7611

Sergeant J.K. Sheeran #76 215 Center Street South, Vienna VA 22180 James.Sheeran@Viennava.gov (703) 255 - 7826

July 28, 2022



# Vienna Police Department

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## 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.



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

Detective M.A. Herrera #118 215 Center Street South, Vienna VA 22180 Marcos.Herrera@Viennava.gov (703) 255 - 7821

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 juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or 703-255-7845