



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

February 14, 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 February 7, 2020 – February 13, 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)

INCIDENTS

Forgery 20-001331

100 Block Battle Street, SE

January 9 between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

A resident reported that a check she was mailing to her lawn service was stolen from the mailbox. The check was then forged and cashed.

Civil Dispute 20-001438

101 Church Street, NW

February 4 12:00 p.m.

The property owner advised a citizen was driving into the parking lot when she dislodged a brick planter with her vehicle, causing damage to the brick. The owner is now concerned that the woman will not pay for the damages.

Fraud 20-001328

1400 Block Ross Drive, SW

February 6 between 9:00 p.m. and 11:59 p.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person hacked his bank account and cashed several electronic checks.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 20-001324
Courthouse Road and Courthouse Circle, SW
February 7 5:26 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of a woman standing in the roadway, interfering with traffic. Upon the officers' interaction with the woman, they detected signs of impairment.

MPO Smith arrested the 31-year-old woman from Courthouse Circle, SW, Vienna. She was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk In Public.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 20-001335
425 Maple Avenue, East
February 7 1:33 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a man bothering customers at the shopping center. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

Ofc. Gucwa arrested the 47-year-old man, who has no fixed address. The man was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk In Public.

Trespassing 20-001349
Subway Restaurant
222 Maple Avenue, West
February 7 10:02 p.m.

An employee reported a man who was acting suspiciously in front of the restaurant, making the staff feel uncomfortable. Officers located the man in the area. The man advised he was homeless and wanted a ride to the hospital to receive treatment for a pre-existing injury. Rescue responded to the scene and transported the man to an area hospital. The employee trespassed the man from the restaurant.

Suspicious Person 20-001352
100 Block Shepherdson Lane, NE
February 7 10:45 p.m.

A resident reported that a man she had recently ended a relationship with was at her house. While responding to the call, officers observed the man driving at a high rate of speed and initiated a traffic stop. The man was advised that the resident requested he has no further contact with her.

Lost Property 20-001376
Giant Food
359 Maple Avenue, East
February 8 10:46 p.m.

An employee lost his cell phone in the store.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 20-001393
Sunoco
102 Maple Avenue, West
February 9 7:16 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a suspicious person inside the gas station. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

Ofc. McElhattan arrested the 38-year-old man from East Street, NE, Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk In Public.

Lost Property 20-001478

100 Ross Drive, SW

February 10 3:00 p.m.

A resident reported that a license plate was missing from his vehicle.

Domestic Dispute 20-001414

Johnson Street, SW

February 10 10:03 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a domestic dispute between the residents and their teenage son. The juvenile calmed down after speaking with the officers.

Embezzlement 20-001428

7-11

Maple Avenue, East

February 11 between 12:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

A manager for the store reported that one of their employees was embezzling money and stealing from the store. Officers remained on the scene while the manager fired and trespassed the employee. This case is being investigated.

Found Property 20-001444

100 Block Maple Avenue, West

February 11 3:22 p.m.

A citizen turned in a key that she found in the parking lot.

Grand Larceny 20-001450

CrossFit

434 Block Mill Street, NE

February 11 between 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

A juvenile reported that he locked his bicycle to a pallet in the parking lot. When he returned, the bicycle had been stolen.

Domestic Dispute 20-001458

100 Block Patrick Street, SE

February 11 11:45 p.m.

A resident reported issues he was having with his teenage son. Officers observed some damage the juvenile had made in the home. The resident did not wish to pursue charges against his son.

Found Property 20-001480

Vienna Community Center

120 Cherry Street, SE

February 12 between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

An employee found a backpack containing drug paraphernalia on the basketball court. The backpack and paraphernalia were placed in property for destruction.

CRASHES

200 Block Lewis Street, NW 20-001301

February 6 9:50 a.m.

Vehicle-1, a Town of Vienna Department of Public Works truck, was pulling out of a driveway when the vehicle's passenger side rubbed against a fence post. Minor damage was made to both the truck and the post.

Beulah Road and Church Street, NE 20-001326

February 7 8:34 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Beulah Road. Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Church Street. Vehicle-1 collided into Vehicle-2.

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.

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.**