



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

January 31, 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 January 24, 2020 – January 30, 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

Suspicious Event 20-000851

200 Block Tapawingo Road, SW

January 24 9:00 a.m.

A resident reported a possible fraud after she inadvertently provided her bank account information over the phone to someone calling to collect payment on a loan. After providing her information to the caller, she began to fear that the call may have been a scam. The resident later discovered that the original creditor on a loan sold her debt to another creditor and the call she received was legitimate.

Animal Case – Quarantine 20-000930

Hope Advanced Veterinary Center

140 Park Street, SE

January 24 9:50 a.m.

A technician was bitten by a dog during a medical procedure. Fairfax County Animal Control will follow up on the quarantine as the dog lives in their jurisdiction.

Suspicious Event 20-000861

Wolftrap Hotel

430 Maple Avenue, West

January 25 3:34 a.m.

A guest staying at the hotel made allegations that men were fighting in one of the rooms, in addition to other complaints that were all unfounded by the hotel staff and the officers who responded. The staff offered her another room, which she declined. She also declined any police assistance. The woman was advised to either return to her room or call a friend to pick her up.

Animal Case 20-000870

100 Block Casmar Street, SE

January 25 11:30 a.m.

An officer responded to the report of an injured deer in the backyard of a residence. It was determined that the animal was in grave condition and the officer euthanized the deer.

Arrest - Narcotics Violation 20-000886 and 20-000889

Courthouse Road and Nutley Street, SW

January 25 9:07 p.m.

MPO Shaw observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he detected the odor of marijuana. The driver, a juvenile, was found to be in possession of a measurable amount of marijuana, a scale with marijuana residue, an open can of alcohol, tobacco products, and an airsoft gun. The passenger, another juvenile, was also in possession of a measurable amount of marijuana.

The juveniles' parents were notified and responded. The juveniles were transported to the Vienna Police Station. The passenger was issued a summons charging Possession of Marijuana and was released to the custody of his parents. The driver was released to his parents. MPO Shaw later obtained petitions for the driver charging him with Possession with Intent to Distribute Marijuana, Underage Possession of Alcohol and Underage Possession of Tobacco Products.

Narcotics Violation 20-000893

300 Block Maple Avenue, East

January 26 1:29 a.m.

Officer Murray observed a vehicle with defective equipment and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, a juvenile, he detected an odor of marijuana. The driver and the passenger, also a juvenile, were both found in possession of a measurable amount of marijuana and open containers of alcohol.

The driver's parents responded to the scene and the juvenile was released to her parents. The passenger was transported to the Vienna Police Station where his parents responded to take custody of him. Petitions are pending for both juveniles charging Possession of Marijuana and Possession of an Open Container of Alcohol.

Unlawful Entry 20-000971

Yeonas Park

1319 Ross Drive, SW

Between January 26 at 4:00 p.m. and January 28 at 12:00 p.m.

An unknown person forced entry into a shed and caused damage to property belonging to the Vienna Little League.

Found Property 20-000920

9600 Block Counsellor Drive, NW

January 26 4:55 p.m.

A resident found a backpack in the roadway in front of her house. The backpack contained drug paraphernalia and personal hygiene items.

Vandalism 20-000933

Skorpio's Maggio's Greek Family Restaurant

421 Maple Avenue, East

Between January 26 at 10:00 p.m. and January 27 at 10:30 a.m.

An employee reported that someone spat on the front door of the restaurant.

Vehicle Tampering 20-000926

200 Block Walnut Lane, NW

January 27 between 4:30 a.m. and 4:38 a.m.

A resident saw a light on in his van and noticed someone was inside the vehicle. When the resident banged on the window of his house the person fled down Walnut Lane towards Lawyers Road. Officers searched the area but did not locate the person. The resident reported that change was stolen from the vehicle console.

Found Property 20-000931

100 Block Ayr Hill Avenue, NW

January 27 6:00 a.m.

A resident reported a bicycle that was left abandoned in her yard.

Welfare Check 20-000947

100 Block Patrick Street, SE

January 27 9:45 p.m.

A resident expressed concern for her elderly neighbor. Officers checked on the neighbor's welfare and found that she was not in need of any assistance.

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 20-000969

200 Block Courthouse Road, SW

January 28 10:43 a.m.

MPO Lose observed a driver commit a traffic offense and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he detected an odor of marijuana. The driver was found to be in possession of a measurable amount of marijuana.

MPO Lose issued a summons to the 31-year-old man from Bradgate Road in Alexandria, Virginia charging Possession of Marijuana. He was released on his signature.

Fraud 20-000986

Bruno Clay Management

440 Maple Avenue, East

January 28 between 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

An employee reported that an unknown person cashed two fraudulent checks on their company's account.

Shoplifting 20-000985

Dairy Queen

304 Maple Avenue, West

January 28 3:33 p.m.

An employee reported that two men entered the store, took a cake from the freezer, then fled the store without paying for it.

Suspicious Event 20-001025

100 Block Pleasant Street, SW

January 28 6:16 p.m.

An employee reported a continuous issue with broken beer bottles in their parking lot.

Vandalism 20-001004

Skorpio's Maggio's Greek Family Restaurant

421 Maple Avenue, East

Between January 28 at 9:00 p.m. and January 29 at 9:45 a.m.

An employee reported that someone vandalized the sidewalk, furniture and statue in front of their restaurant.

Death – Unknown Cause 20-001023

1100 Block Fairway Drive, NE

Between January 28 at 4:00 p.m. and January 29 at 4:00 p.m.

A resident was checking on the welfare of a relative when she found him unresponsive in his bedroom. Officers responded to the report of the medical emergency with CPR in progress. The man was transported to an area hospital in grave condition and passed away a short time later.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 20-001027

Vienna Presbyterian Church

124 Park Street, NE

January 29 between 7:53 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

The staff at the hypothermia shelter at the Church reported a disorderly man that they wanted removed from the shelter. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

MPO Borja arrested the 39-year-old man with no fixed address and transported him to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public.

Suspicious Event 20-001039

Cycle Chi

211 Mill Street, NE

January 30 5:01 a.m.

An employee noticed a suspicious person driving around her building several times. Officers responded and observed the man drive in front of the business again and stopped the vehicle in front of the business before driving off. As he was driving away, the man committed a traffic offense and the officer initiated a traffic stop. The man advised he was driving in the area when he saw some deer and was driving around to watch them, unaware that his actions were concerning to employees in the area.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 20-001041

Vienna Presbyterian Church

124 Park Street, NE

January 30 5:44 a.m.

The staff at the hypothermia shelter at the Church reported a man at the shelter who was in need of mental health assistance. The man, who was having suicidal thoughts, was transported by an officer to a medical facility for evaluation.

CRASHES

Maple Avenue near Lawyers Road, NW 20-000683

January 20 4:10 p.m.

Three vehicles were traveling westbound in the right lane on Maple Avenue approaching Lawyers Road. Vehicle-2 and Vehicle-3 slowed to a stop in traffic. Driver-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2, causing it to strike the rear of Vehicle-3.

800 Block Maple Avenue, East 20-000707

January 21 4:30 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue, in the turn lane, to turn left onto Niblick Drive. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound in the left through lane when she made an improper lane change and attempted to turn left onto Niblick, causing the vehicles to collide.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Improper Lane Change and Failure to Obtain a Virginia Driver's License.

Malcolm Road and Lawyers Road, NW 20-000708

January 21 4:45 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was stopped at the stop sign on Malcolm Road, waiting to turn left onto northbound Lawyers Road. Vehicle-1 was behind Vehicle-2 and attempting to go past the vehicle to make a right turn onto Lawyers Road when she struck the rear of the vehicle.

Nutley Street and Tapawingo Road, SW 20-000872

January 25 12:45 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Nutley Street near Tapawingo Road. Vehicle-2 came to a stop at the traffic light. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

431 Maple Avenue, West 20-000932

January 27 11:11 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue, attempting to turn right into the parking lot of 431 Maple Avenue. Driver-1 passed the entrance and began back up on Maple Avenue to make his turn. Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Maple and was attempting to turn left into the lot. As Driver-2 entered their turn Vehicle-1 backed up into Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Improper Backing.

800 Block Maple Avenue, East 20-000989

January 28 6:27 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue and slowed to a stop for the traffic light at Follin Lane. Vehicle-1 failed to stop in time and ran into the rear of Vehicle-2

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

Ayr Hill Avenue near Beulah Road, NE 20-001014

January 29 10:30 a.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Ayr Hill Avenue approaching Beulah Road when the driver began to suffer a medical emergency. The driver left the roadway and struck a tree. The driver was transported to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

400 Block Maple Avenue, West 20-001026

January 29 6:39 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was exiting the parking lot of 431 Maple Avenue to turn left onto Maple Avenue. Vehicles traveling westbound were stopped in traffic and allowed Driver-2 to exit the parking lot. Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue, crossed over the double yellow lines into the center lane, and struck Vehicle-2 as she was making her turn.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Obey Highway Markings.

400 Block Maple Avenue, West 20-001053

January 30 6:19 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was stopped in traffic traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2 at a very low speed causing no damage to either vehicle. The passenger of Vehicle-1 complained of injury but refused rescue.

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](https://www.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.**