



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

June 26, 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 June 19, 2020 – June 25, 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

Fraud 20-004814

**Novo Kitchen and Bath
509 Maple Avenue, West
June 16 3:55 p.m.**

The owner of the company reported fraudulent charges on one of his credit accounts and a business account.

Animal Case – Quarantine 20-004882

**600 Block Delano Drive, SE
June 18 2:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that his dog bit his son’s friend while they were playing. The dog was placed on a 10-day quarantine.

Assault 20-004896

**200 Block Locust Street, SE
June 19 2:15 p.m.**

A resident reported that she was assaulted by her roommate. The resident was advised of the warrant process should she wish to pursue charges.

Suspicious Event 20-004898

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

June 19 between 4:34 p.m. and 4:54 p.m.

An employee advised that a customer reported their purse was stolen from the shopping cart. The employee searched for the purse and found it on a shelf in the aisle where the customer believed it had been taken. Nothing appeared to be missing from the purse.

Police Service 20-004919

Vienna Police Station

215 Center Street, South

June 20 3:45 p.m.

A resident brought ammunition to the police station for destruction.

Found Property 20-004921

200 Block Niblick Drive, SE

June 20 4:23 p.m.

A resident found a wallet on his doorstep.

Destruction of Property 20-005025

300 Block Windover Avenue, NW

Between June 20 at 8:00 p.m. and June 21 at 8:00 a.m.

A resident reported the telephone lines to the house were cut.

Stolen Vehicle 20-004942

200 Block Center Street, North

Between June 20 at 10:00 p.m. and June 21 at 9:20 a.m.

A resident reported their vehicle was stolen from their driveway. The vehicle was left unlocked with the key fob inside. On June 23, the vehicle was recovered by the DC Metropolitan Police in Washington, DC.

Vandalism 20-004944

Yeonas Park

1319 Ross Drive, SW

June 20 10:00 p.m.

A citizen observed audio equipment on the pavement near the announcer box at the baseball field. Officers found that someone forced entry into the announcer box and caused significant damage to the building and the equipment. Additional damage was found at the snack bar and a second announcer's box.

Assist EMS 20-004933

200 Block Locust Street, SE

June 20 10:01 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a resident who reported that her roommate pushed her and caused her to fall. The resident refused medical treatment. Officers determined the resident was not pushed, but that the incident was a misunderstanding between the two roommates.

Stolen Vehicle 20-004949**300 Block East Street, SE****June 21 4:52 a.m.**

On June 21 at 1:40 p.m. a resident reported their vehicle was stolen from the driveway. The vehicle was left unlocked with the keys inside. The resident's purse, containing several credit cards, and other properties were in the vehicle. A neighbor's security camera showed that at 4:52 a.m. two people drove into the area, exited their vehicle and began checking car doors. One of the individuals drove away in the resident's vehicle. On June 24, the vehicle was located by the DC Metropolitan Police in Washington, DC.

Found Property 20-004938**Courthouse Road and Plum Street, SW****June 21 7:50 a.m.**

A resident found a debit card in the roadway. Officers returned the card to the owner.

Animal Case 20-004948**100 Block Maple Avenue, West****June 21 12:50 p.m.**

A citizen reported a large injured bird in the parking lot. PFC Sterling was able to capture the bird and transported it to an area animal hospital for treatment.

Domestic Assault 20-004950**Dale Court, SE****June 21 2:00 p.m.**

A resident reported that her estranged husband came to the home to pick up their children per their custody agreement. The two began to argue and that escalated when she claimed he pushed her. The husband had left the area with the children before the officers' arrival. The husband later responded to the police department where he claimed the resident assaulted him. Both parties were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges.

Vandalism 20-004955**800 Block Glyndon Street, SE****June 21 6:38 p.m.**

A citizen parked her vehicle near her friend's house. She later noticed that someone had placed screws pointing upwards behind all four of the tires.

Suspicious Event 20-004960**600 Block Bruton Place, NW****June 21 8:14 p.m.**

A resident called from out of town to report that her adult daughter was stealing things from her home. The daughter advised that she no longer lived at the residence but wanted to collect some of her belongings. The resident advised that when she is back in town she will notify the daughter when she can pick up her belongings.

Arrest - Drunk In Public 20-004961

300 Block Glyndon Lane, SE

June 21 9:37 p.m.

Officers responded to the area for the report of a man running around in the street, yelling, making threats to harm his wife or child. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment.

MPO Smith arrested the 40-year-old man from Glyndon Lane, Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk In Public.

Suspicious Event 20-004966

Beulah Road, NE

June 22 4:16 a.m.

A foster parent reported that she is receiving text messages from her children's biological father accusing her of assaulting the children. The foster parent has been working with Child Protective Services to ensure the welfare of the children. She was advised to follow up with their agency regarding the biological father's communication. *Reference Incident #20-004997.*

Child In Need of Services 20-004986

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

Between June 22 at 7:00 a.m. and June 23 at 11:13 p.m.

A resident reported that she frequently babysits for a woman's three children. On June 22, the woman dropped off the children while she went to work, but she never returned to pick them up. The resident notified the father of the two older children, and he responded to take custody of them. However, he would not take custody of the infant. The resident made several attempts to contact the woman and another relative, but she was unable to reach anyone who would care for the infant. Officers notified Fairfax County Child Protective Services, who responded to assume custody of the infant.

Suspicious Event 20-004970

Yeonas Park

1319 Block Ross Drive, SW

June 22 2:17 p.m.

A citizen observed three juveniles attempting to break into the announcer's box at the ballfield. Officers searched the area but did not locate the juveniles. A member of the Vienna Little League responded and found that no further damage to the building since the previous vandalism case. *Reference Incident #20-004944.*

Arrest – Driving While Intoxicated and Accident 20-004972

Nutley Street and Kingsley Road, SW

June 22 9:00 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a traffic accident. The driver was traveling northbound in the right lane of Nutley Street approaching Kingsley Road when his vehicle left the roadway, impacted a utility pole, and stopped in the left travel lane. EMS personnel removed the driver from the vehicle. After being assessed, the driver refused any further medical treatment. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, they detected signs of impairment. The driver failed to complete a series of field sobriety tests and was placed under arrest.

Ofc. McElhattan transported the 29-year-old man from Barrow Furnace Lane in Lorton, Virginia to the Vienna Police Station, where he failed to provide a sample of his breath for analysis. The man was then transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Driving While Intoxicated and Refusal to Submit to a Breath Test.

Petit Larceny 20-005015
1100 Block Drake Street, SW
Between June 23 at 12:00 p.m. and June 24 at 1:30 p.m.
A realtor reported a "For Sale" sign was stolen.

Assault 20-004988
The Wolftrap Hotel
430 Maple Avenue, West
June 23 1:22 p.m.
An employee at the hotel advised that a man was in a vehicle in the parking lot playing loud music. When he approached the man and asked him to turn the music down, the man attempted to assault him before driving away.

Animal Case – Quarantine 20-005017
Just Cats Clinic
1601 Washington Plaza, Reston, Virginia
June 23 5:15 p.m.
The Fairfax County Health Department reported that a cat bit a technician during a procedure. The owner of the cat, who resides in Vienna, was advised of the 10-day quarantine.

Suspicious Event 20-004997
Beulah Road, NE
June 24 7:36 a.m.
A resident reported that the biological mother of her three adopted children was making statements on social media about coming to pick up the children. She advised the mother has also attempted to communicate with one of the children through social media. *Reference Incident #20-004966.*

Suspicious Event 20-005016
100 Block Moore Avenue, SW
June 24 2:04 p.m.
A resident received a threatening message through a gaming platform from an unknown person.

Police Service 20-005028
100 Block Battle Street, SW
June 24 3:08 p.m.
A resident, who was out of town, requested a welfare check on their adult son. Officers did not locate the son at the home.

Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle 20-005029
300 Block Park Street, NE
June 24 7:26 p.m.
A resident reported that he and his ex-girlfriend drove his vehicle to Texas several months ago, and he left the vehicle in Texas with her after discussing that she would purchase the vehicle. However, the resident has had continuous issues with his ex-girlfriend and he now wants the vehicle returned.

Grand Larceny 20-005055
Navy Federal Credit Union
820 Follin Lane, SE
June 25 2:45 p.m.
A contractor reported that his cell phone was stolen.

Domestic Dispute 20-005058

Locust Street, SE

June 25 6:31 p.m.

Officers responded to a domestic dispute between a resident and her adult son.

CRASHES

100 Block Maple Avenue, East 20-5059

June 25 6:05

Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue in the right lane. Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound in the left lane when the driver attempted to change lanes and sideswiped Vehicle-2, causing minor damage. Driver-1 left the area without stopping. An officer located Driver-1 who advised she was not aware she struck the other vehicle and provided her information.

CASE UPDATES

None.

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

VIENNA AND THE REST OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA REMAINS PHASE TWO

The Northern Virginia region joins the rest of the state in Phase Two of Gov. Ralph Northam's Forward Virginia. For more information, navigate to <https://www.virginia.gov/coronavirus-updates/>

MEDIA RELEASES



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release

Operations Modifications in Response to COVID-19

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. These 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 that 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 seats 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



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.**