



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

October 4, 2019

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from September 27 – October 3, 2019. 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 19-010277

100 Block East Street, NE

Between March 25 at 12:00 p.m. and September 10 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person used two of her credit accounts to make unauthorized purchases.

Grand Larceny 19-010155

Anita’s Restaurant

521 Maple Avenue, East

Between September 24 at 12:00 p.m. and September 28 at 12:00 p.m.

An employee reported US currency missing from a cashbox in the office of the restaurant.

Fraud 19-010101

800 Block Meadow Lane, SW

September 25 12:00 p.m.

A resident was notified by the bank of a fraudulent check that someone attempted to cash on her account.

Assault 19-010135

Battle Street and Cottage Street, SW

September 26 between 6:53 a.m. and 7:00 a.m.

On September 29, residents reported that their juvenile son was assaulted on September 26 by other juveniles while riding the bus to school.

Suspicious Person 19-010046

Caffé Amouri

September 26 between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.

On September 27, a citizen reported an incident that she observed the prior day while she was in Caffé Amouri. The citizen advised a man was in the cafe taking pictures of women in and around the establishment. The man would hide the camera if anyone seemed to notice him. The citizen reported the man to employees. The owner of the café was alerted to the man's behavior; he watched the man and confirmed the citizen's account. The owner approached the man and advised him he could not be taking pictures inside the café. The man left the area without incident.

Destruction of Property 19-010127

200 Block Park Terrace Court, SE

September 26 between 4:45 p.m. and 5:45 p.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person forced entry into her storage unit in the basement of her condominium. Nothing appeared to have been taken.

Vienna Caboose 19-010052

520 Mill Street, NE

September 27 11:06 a.m.

A citizen turned in a set of keys that was found on the bike trail near the Caboose.

Narcotics Violation 19-010070

600 Block Kearney Court, SW

September 27 3:00 p.m.

A resident observed two juveniles in a black Mercedes SUV smoking from a drug paraphernalia device.

Juvenile Case 19-010072

Meadow Lane Park

400 Courthouse Road, SW

September 27 4:18 p.m.

A teenage juvenile ran from her mother at the Vienna Dog Park, 700 Courthouse Road, SW. The juvenile went to Meadow Lane Park and requested to speak to an officer. The juvenile is in treatment for emotional issues. The juvenile agreed to go home with her mother. A short time later, the juvenile called the police from the Walgreens, 225 Maple Avenue, West. The juvenile advised that while she and her mother were on their way home, she exited the vehicle at a stoplight. The mother responded to the Walgreens to pick up her daughter.

Natural Death 19-010077

100 Block Wilmar Place, NW

September 27 5:36 p.m.

Officers responded to assist rescue personnel with a medical emergency after a relative found the elderly resident unresponsive. It was determined that the elderly woman was deceased from natural causes.

Suspicious Event 19-010092

Cottage Street and Moore Avenue, SW

Between September 27 at 8:00 p.m. and September 28 at 6:58 a.m.

A citizen reported a moped lying in the roadway close to the curb. Officers contacted the owner who advised they had parked the moped in their driveway in the 100 block Moore Avenue, SW and were unaware the vehicle had been moved.

Petit Larceny 19-010105

Subway

222 Maple Avenue, West

September 27 9:20 p.m.

On September 28, the manager reported that on the previous day, three men entered the restaurant, distracted the employee, and took US currency.

Animal Case 19-010082

700 Block Nutley Street, SW

September 27 9:22 p.m.

A resident reported an injured deer that had fallen into the drainage ditch in his yard. It appeared the deer had been struck by a vehicle and was gravely injured. Due to the extent of injury, an officer euthanized the deer.

Arrest – Assault 19-010089

100 Block Wilmar Place, NW

September 28 2:28 a.m.

A resident reported that her adult son was intoxicated and acting irate. The son fled the home before officers arrived. Officers searched the area for the man but were unable to locate him.

At 4:17 a.m., officers responded to the area of Cottage Street and Plum Street for the report of a man lying in the roadway. Officers found the man in the 700 block of Cottage Street, crouched behind a vehicle and acting very agitated. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of impairment. The man was acting both belligerent and combative with the officers. As officers were placing the man under arrest, he assaulted one of them.

Ofc. Colligan arrested the 30-year-old man from Wilmar Place, NW, Vienna, and transported him to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Assault on a Police Officer and Drunk In Public and held without bond.

Arrest – Destruction of Property 19-010134

Vienna Police Station

215 Center Street, South

September 28 between 3:31 a.m. and 3:40 a.m.

An officer was leaving work when he found that his personal vehicle had been damaged. It was determined that the same man officers had arrested during their shift, had entered the police station parking lot during the night, and vandalized the officer's personal vehicle (*Incident 19-010089*).

On September 30, Ofc. Colligan obtained a felony warrant for the 30-year-old man charging Destruction of Property. The warrant was served on the man at the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was still being held on the previous charges.

Arrest – Trespassing Drunk In Public 19-010099

Vienna Inn

120 Maple Avenue, East

September 28 10:05 a.m.

Officers responded to the complaint of a customer who was acting disorderly and refusing to leave the restaurant. An employee advised the man in front of the officers to leave the establishment; however, he still refused and became uncooperative with the officers.

Sgt. Sheeran arrested the 60-year-old man from Park Street, NE, in Vienna. The man was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Trespassing and Drunk In Public. A Vienna Inn employee advised the man that he was not permitted to return to the property.

Police Service 19-010100

100 Block Kingsley Road, SW

September 28 11:43 a.m.

A citizen brought in a firearm and box of ammunition for destruction.

Telephone Case 19-010107

DeSale Street, SW

September 28 1:00 p.m.

A resident reported that her ex-boyfriend is sending compromising photos of her over social media.

Trespassing 19-010103

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

September 28 1:08 p.m.

An employee requested assistance with a solicitor. Officers located a man who was standing in the parking lot median with his son while playing the accordion. The man had a sign posted requesting donations. The employee had spoken to the man earlier in the week and advised him he could play his accordion only if he stayed on the sidewalk. Several customers began complaining, advising they were in fear he may get struck by a vehicle in the parking lot. After officers spoke to the man, he agreed to leave and not return to the property.

Arrest – Domestic Assault 19-010113

Carole Court, SE

September 28 8:58 p.m.

A resident reported that earlier in the day, she and her husband had a verbal dispute that escalated when her husband assaulted her. The two had another physical altercation that night, prompting the resident to call the police.

Ofc. Farr arrested the 55-year-old man from Carole Court, SE. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center, where he was charged with Domestic Assault and released on an unsecured bond.

Grand Larceny 19-10131

100 Block Maple Avenue, West

September 29 3:35 p.m.

A juvenile advertised items of clothing for sale through an online application. The juvenile was meeting a buyer at the backside of the shopping center for the sales transaction. The juvenile was approached by three 15-16-year-old juveniles who grabbed the items of clothing and fled the area. Officers searched the area but were unable to locate the juveniles.

Destruction of Property 19-010243

500 Block Center Street, South

Between September 29 at 9:00 p.m. and October 1 at 6:00 a.m.

A resident reported that an unknown person damaged his vehicle while it was parked on the road in front of his home.

Juvenile Case 19-010156

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

September 30 2:42 p.m.

A parent was notified by Cedar Lane School officials to come to the school to pick up her daughter. After the juvenile was released to her mother's custody, she ran away from her mother. Officers and security personnel from the school located the juvenile in the shopping center and convinced her to go home with her mother.

Juvenile Case 19-010157

Cedar Lane School

101 Cedar Lane, SW

September 30 between 2:45 p.m. and 3:10 p.m.

Officers responded to the school for a student who was upset and banging on the school doors. The student advised he brought a bat to school and hid beyond school grounds. After school, he found the bat had been confiscated by school officials, and he wanted it returned to him. School Security advised they had reports of a fight that was to occur after school. They located the bat and took it for safety reasons. Security personnel advised the student that he needed to leave the school property, and the bat will be returned to his parent at a later time.

Open Door 19-010160

200 Block Glyndon Street, SE

September 30 4:29 p.m.

A resident was observing her home security camera when she saw someone enter and leave her garage. Officers found the garage door was open, and a door leading into the home was unlocked. The officers searched the home, finding that nothing appeared out of place.

Assault 19-010161

Jud Tile

204 Mill Street, NE

September 30 4:57 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a physical altercation between two co-workers. Both parties were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges.

Police Service 19-010168

Ware Street, SW

October 1 7:16 a.m.

An officer responded to the report of a resident who needed an evaluation. The officer transported the woman to an area medical facility for evaluation and treatment.

Suspicious Event 19-010260

200 Block Windover Avenue, West

October 1 between 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.

A resident advised that he has observed various vehicles occupied by juveniles in the area the past few days. When the vehicles leave, he has detected an odor of marijuana. Trash has also been left in his yard.

Suspicious Person 19-010206
Marshall Road Elementary School
730 Marshall Road, SW
October 2 8:30 a.m.

Officers responded to the report of a suspicious man in the area of the school. Officers spoke to the man who stated he was trying to get to the Metro. It was concluded that the man was not actually on school property. He was given directions to the Metro, and he left the area.

Police Service 19-010264
Vienna Police Station
215 Center Street, South
October 3 1:56 p.m.

A resident turned in a firearm for destruction.

CRASHES

Nutley Street and Roland Street, SW 19-010020
September 26 5:35 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Nutley Street, attempting to turn left onto Roland Street. Northbound vehicles in the left lane were stopped due to heavy traffic. Vehicle-2 was traveling northbound in the right lane on Nutley Street and struck Vehicle-1 as he entered the intersection.

Old Courthouse Road and Westbriar Court, NE 19-010067
September 27 2:23 p.m.

Vehicle-2, a construction truck, was backing out of the intersection with a loaded bucket of materials. Driver-1 was directed into the intersection by an employee directing traffic when her vehicle was struck by Vehicle-2.

Nutley Street and Courthouse Road, SW 19-010129
September 29 2:31 p.m.

Vehicle-2, Vehicle-3, and Vehicle-4 were in the left northbound lane of Nutley Street, stopped for the red traffic light at Courthouse Road. Vehicle-1 was traveling northbound in the same lane of traffic when Driver-1 suffered a medical emergency, causing him to strike the rear of Vehicle-2, sending it into the rear of Vehicle-3, which then struck the rear of Vehicle-4. Rescue personnel transported Driver-1 to an area hospital for treatment. The airbags in Vehicle-2 deployed. A passenger in Vehicle-2 suffered non-life-threatening injuries.

Park Street and Moore Avenue, SE 19-010133
September 29 6:26 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound on Park Street, approaching the stop sign at Moore Avenue. Vehicle-2 stopped at the sign. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2.

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

400 Block Roland Street, SW 19-010146
September 30 10:24 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked on the roadway when it was struck by Vehicle-1 (an unknown vehicle). Driver-1 fled the scene without providing their information.

Maple Avenue and East Street, NE 19-010192

October 1 7:45 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 slowed for the red light at East Street. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2, causing minor damage.

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

Kingsley Road and Cottage Street, SW 19-010218

October 2 3:05 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was westbound on Kingsley Road. Vehicle-2 was northbound on Cottage Street. Vehicle-1 failed to yield and struck Vehicle-2.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Obey a Stop Sign.

300 Block Locust Street, SE 19-010219

October 2 3:14 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on Locust Street, maneuvering around a parked work van. Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Locust Street. The left front mirror of Vehicle-2 struck the left driver side of Vehicle-1.

1000 Block Moorefield Creek Road, SW 19-010220

October 2 3:21 p.m.

Vehicle-2 and Vehicle-3 were legally parked on Moorefield Creek Road. Vehicle-1 was traveling southbound on Moorefield Creek Road when the vehicle struck Vehicle-2, pushing it into Vehicle-3.

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

CASE UPDATES

Suspicious Person 19-009958

MacArthur Avenue and John Marshall Drive, NE

September 25 6:40 a.m.

On October 2, a citizen advised that she was alerted to the September 27 Highlights in which a female attempted to pick up a juvenile who was walking to school. The citizen advised she was the woman who spoke to the juvenile. She explained her son knows the juvenile, and she was driving him to school when she saw the juvenile and asked him if he wanted a ride.

**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

Town of Vienna Police Department Welcomes Officer Dale E. McElhattan to the Police Department.



(Pictured from Left to Right Deputy Chief Daniel Janickey, Lieutenant Tu Farhan, Officer Dale E. McElhattan, Colonel James Morris and Lieutenant Thomas Taylor)

On September 27, 2019, Officer Dale E. McElhattan joined the Town of Vienna Police Department. Before joining the department, Officer McElhattan served with the United States Diplomatic Security Service for approximately 28 years, where he worked short and long term assignments in 65 different countries around the world. Officer McElhattan is a recipient of the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association National Award for Bravery. He also served in the Navy Reserves from 1998-2006.

Officer McElhattan was born in Evanston, Illinois, and has lived in the Vienna area for the last 29 years. He graduated from Clemson University in South Carolina with a Bachelor's Degree in English and History. Officer McElhattan received a full athletic scholarship for being an exceptional swimmer.

Officer McElhattan has been married for 32 years to his wife, who currently works for the State Department Diplomatic Security Service in a civilian capacity. Their three children learned how to swim and play Football, Baseball, and T-Ball in the Town of Vienna parks. Officer McElhattan is eager to give back to the community that helped shape his children's lives.

**For Further Information please contact
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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.

Interested in becoming a Vienna police officer?

Consider joining one of the premier law enforcement agencies in Northern Virginia. The Town of Vienna Police Department offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits.

For application information, please call 703-255-6350 or visit:

<http://agency.governmentjobs.com/vienna/default.cfm>

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.**