



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

August 18, 2023

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from August 4, 2023 to August 10, 2023. Readers are reminded an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean 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)

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

UPDATE – Car Thefts and Tamperings

The National Capital Area, specifically the Northern Virginia area, has seen increased vehicle tampering incidents and vehicle thefts. A recent pattern has been identified where suspects enter the area in stolen vehicles and cruise streets between 3:00 AM and 7:00 AM. In addition to rifling through unlocked cars for valuables and money, they steal the vehicle when they encounter keys left in it. The Vienna Police Department would like to remind our community members to please stay vigilant, secure their cars and take the keys inside, and close and lock all doors of residences and garages to prevent criminals from targeting your property. Additionally, please call the police if you notice suspicious vehicles or people in your area, and share Ring doorbell or other security camera footage with us if you capture video related to these incidents. The Vienna Police Department is working closely with other Law Enforcement agencies in the region, coordinating our resources to investigate these crimes.

If you see suspicious activity or persons, we ask you to immediately notify the police department at 703-255-6366 or, in case of emergency call 911.

INCIDENTS

Grand Larceny 23-007701

200 Block Elmar Drive, SE

Between April 1 at 12:00 a.m. and August 16 at 7:15 a.m.

A resident reported jewelry was stolen from her home.

Petit Larceny 23-007499

Giant Food

359 Maple Avenue, East

August 8 between 3:15 p.m. and 3:41 p.m.

A citizen reported someone stole her wallet from her purse while she was in Giant.

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-07573

Vienna Animal Hospital

531 Maple Avenue, West

August 11 4:40 p.m.

An employee was bitten by a cat while she was examining it. The cat's owner was advised of the quarantine process.

Arrest – Drunk In Public and Trespassing 23-007574

James Madison Shell

545 Maple Avenue, West

August 11 5:25 p.m.

An employee reported a man who was yelling at customers. The employee trespassed the man from the premises, but he still refused to leave. Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of intoxication. The officers attempted to arrest the man when he advised he was injured and requested EMS. Rescue personnel responded for a small cut on the man's finger and he insisted on being transported to a hospital for treatment. PFC Reed went to the magistrate's office and obtained a warrant charging Trespassing and a summons charging Drunk In Public.

On August 12, at 9:00 p.m. Ofc. Harshfield located the man and transported him to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the warrants were served. *Reference Incident #23-007613.*

Arrest – Narcotics Violation 23-007592

100 Block East Street, NE

August 11 11:17 p.m.

An officer observed a driver commit a traffic violation and initiated a traffic stop. Upon the officer's interaction with the driver, he found she was in possession of marijuana.

MPO Reedy issued a summons to the 20-year-old woman from Weisiger Lane in Oakton, Virginia charging Underage Possession of Marijuana. The woman was released on her signature.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 23-007594

133 Maple Avenue, East

August 12 12:31 a.m.

An officer observed a man sleeping at the bus stop. While checking on the man's well-being, the officer detected signs of intoxication.

PFC Mayar arrested the 51-year-old man from Hardison Lane in Greenville, Kentucky. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk In Public.

Arrest – Destruction of Property 23-007600

Burke & Herbert Bank

332 Maple Avenue, East

August 12 1:32 a.m.

At 8:45 a.m., an employee reported the front glass door of the bank was broken. The bank's security video showed a man damaging the doors at approximately 1:30 a.m. The damage to the door was significant, however, the man did not gain access inside the bank.

On August 13 at 12:09 a.m., an officer responded to the report of a suspicious person in the area of Nutley Street and Courthouse Road. The officer noticed the man matched the description of the suspect in the security video. PFC Mayar arrested the 38-year-old man with no fixed address. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Destruction of Property.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-007602

Yeonas Drive, SW

August 12 11:38 a.m.

An officer responded to a welfare check on an elderly resident. The man appeared in good condition and did not need any assistance. Approximately two hours later, the man called a mental health line making concerning comments. Officers responded back to the home and spoke to the man. The man was advised of the services available to him but he did not require any further assistance.

Animal Case 23-007609

300 Block Lawyers Road, NW

August 12 6:46 p.m.

A citizen went to a residence to pick up her dog from the woman who takes care of her pet. She found the woman suffering a medical emergency and called for EMS to respond. Rescue personnel transported the woman to an area hospital for treatment. The citizen was concerned for the other dogs in the home the woman was caring for. A tenant who lives in the house agreed to take care of the animals while the woman was in the hospital.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 23-007613

7-11

537 Maple Avenue, West

August 12 9:00 p.m.

An officer observed the man who had outstanding warrants from an incident on August 11 (*Incident #23-007574*). Upon the officers' interaction with the man, they detected signs of intoxication.

Ofc. Harshfield arrested the 56-year-old man with no fixed address. The man was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was charged with Drunk In Public and the warrants charging Trespassing and Drunk In Public from the first incident were served on him.

Telephone Case 23-007661

1100 Block Lakewood Drive, SW

Between August 13 at 4:00 p.m. and August 14 at 4:00 p.m.

A resident called a massage service to schedule an appointment. During the call, he realized it was an escort service and terminated the call. He then began receiving threatening calls attempting to extort money from him.

Assist Fire & Rescue 23-007657

Courthouse Road and Nutley Street, SW

August 14 10:27 a.m.

A driver was traveling on Courthouse Road when he observed smoke coming from his vehicle. Shortly after the driver got out of the vehicle, it caught fire. Fire and rescue personnel responded and extinguished the fire.

Police Service 23-007651

Yeonas Drive, SW

August 14 11:32 a.m.

Officers spoke to an elderly resident whose wife recently left to stay with family.

Lost Property 23-007663

Meadow Lane Park

400 Courthouse Road, SW

August 14 3:00 p.m.

A resident lost his wallet at the park.

Fraud 23-007659

100 Block Oak Street, SW

August 14 5:14 p.m.

A resident reported he had an online relationship with a woman for the past few years. During that time he has loaned the woman a large sum of money but has not received any repayment and has not heard from the woman in several months.

Suspicious Event 23-007760

400 Block Council Drive, NE

August 15 12:36 p.m.

A resident reported a Door Dash driver made a delivery to their home. When her juvenile daughter answered the door, the man made inappropriate comments to her.

Found Property 23-007693

300 Block Center Street, South

August 15 1:59 p.m.

A Town Parks and Recreation employee found a purse in the area of Water's Field.

Arrest – Drunk In Public 23-007695

Park Street and Elmar Drive, SE

August 15 7:50 p.m.

Officers responded to check on the welfare of a man who was lying near the sidewalk in the area of Park Street and Elmar Drive. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, they detected signs of intoxication.

Ofc. Rodriguez arrested the 59-year-old man from Park Terrace Court, SE in Vienna. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center and charged with Drunk In Public.

Assault 23-007716

400 Block Courthouse Road, SW

August 16 2:00 p.m.

Two drivers got into an argument over a traffic infraction that occurred at Ware Street and Meadow Lane, SW. The argument escalated into a physical altercation between the two men.

Both men were advised of the warrant process should they wish to pursue charges.

Animal Case – Quarantine 23-007743

200 Block Cedar Lane, SE

August 16 4:00 p.m.

A resident was bitten by her dog. The resident was advised of the 10-day quarantine.

Grand Larceny 23-007740

400 Block Marshall Road, SW

Between August 16 at 7:00 p.m. and August 17 at 10:00 a.m.

Tools were stolen from a house under construction.

Arrest – Destruction of Property and Drunk In Public 23-007729

7-11

427 Maple Avenue, East

August 16 9:31 p.m.

An employee reported a customer became agitated, threw the cookie plate on the counter causing it to break, and left the store. An officer located the man in the Giant Food parking lot. Upon the officer's interaction with the man, he detected signs of intoxication.

PFC Mayar arrested the 37-year-old man from Yancey Drive in Falls Church, Virginia. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where the magistrate charged him with Drunk In Public, but refused to issue a warrant for Destruction of Property. The employee was advised of the warrant process should he wish to pursue charges.

Assist EMS 23-007761

Inova – GoHealth Urgent Care

180 Maple Avenue, West

August 17 6:35 p.m.

Officers responded to the report of a man who was possibly suicidal. The man advised the officers he was having medical issues and did not wish to harm himself. Rescue personnel responded and transported the man to an area hospital for treatment.

Trespassing 23-007763

Panera

136 Maple Avenue, West

August 17 8:04 p.m.

An employee requested assistance in trespassing a man from the restaurant. The employee advised the man spends the entire day in the restaurant without making any purchases and is rude to the customers and employees.

PFC Garcia spoke to the man on behalf of the business and advised him he was trespassed and would be arrested if he returned.

Emotionally Disturbed Person 23-007764

Yeonas Drive, SW

August 17 8:26 p.m.

A crisis hotline requested a welfare check on a resident who was making concerning statements. Officers responded to the residence and spoke to the elderly man who was upset over recent events in his life.

CASE UPDATES

None.

CRASHES

200 Maple Avenue, East 23-007353

August 2 12:56 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked when it was struck by Vehicle-1. Driver-1 fled the scene without providing their information.

Ayr Hill Avenue and the W&OD Bike Trail, NE 23-007601

August 12 10:05 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Ayr Hill Avenue approaching the bike trail. Vehicle-1 (a bicycle) was southbound on the bike trail. Vehicle-1 entered the intersection and was struck by Vehicle-2, knocking him to the ground. Both vehicles were traveling at a low speed and damage was minimal. Driver-1 was transported by rescue personnel to an area hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Maple Avenue near Branch Road, NE 23-007603

August 12 11:50 a.m.

Vehicles 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 were all stopped in traffic westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-2 was in the left turn lane to access Branch Road. The other vehicles were in the left through lane. Vehicle-1 exited the shopping center onto Branch Road, went through the Exxon parking lot, and onto Maple Avenue colliding with Vehicle-2. Vehicle-1 continued into the next lane, striking Vehicle-3 and Vehicle-5. Vehicle-3 was pushed back in its lane and struck Vehicle-4. Vehicle-5 was pushed forward and struck Vehicle-6.

Driver-1 was issued a summons charging Failure to Maintain Proper Control.

300 Block Maple Avenue, East 23-007606

August 12 3:30 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling westbound on Maple Avenue in adjacent lanes. Vehicle-1 changed lanes from the right lane to make a left into the Exxon Gas Station and struck Vehicle-2 in the left lane causing minor damage to both vehicles.

Lawyers Road and Church Street, NW 23-007607

August 12 3:54 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling westbound on Church Street, turning left onto southbound Lawyers Road. Vehicle-2 was traveling eastbound on Church Street, proceeding straight through the intersection of Lawyers Road when the two vehicles collided.

Maple Avenue and Nutley Street, SW 23-007633

August 13 2:02 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound on Maple Avenue in the left lane. Vehicle-1 attempted to enter the left turn lane and struck Vehicle-2 causing minor damage to both vehicles.

128 Center Street, South 23-007689

August 14 10:30 a.m.

Vehicle-2 was legally parked in the Vienna Elementary School parking lot when it was struck by Vehicle-1. Driver-1 fled the scene without providing their information.

Maple Avenue and Lewis Street, NW 23-007655

August 14 4:18 p.m.

Vehicle-2 was traveling westbound on Maple Avenue. Vehicle-1 was turning left onto Maple Avenue from Lewis Street when the two vehicles collided.

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

Park Street and Kingsley Road, SE 23-007660

August 14 5:45 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling northbound on Park Street. Vehicle-2 slowed to turn left onto Kingsley Road. Vehicle-1 ran into the rear of Vehicle-2

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

Cottage Street and Tapawingo Road, SW 23-007696

August 15 9:16 p.m.

Vehicle-1 was traveling eastbound on Tapawingo Road. Vehicle-2 was traveling southbound on Cottage Street. Both vehicles stopped at their stop signs and collided when they proceeded into the intersection.

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

CITIZEN NOTES



Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department Media Information Release



(Pictured above from Left to Right Deputy Chief Dan Janickey, PFC Alex Murray)

Police Officer First Class Alex Murray Named Vienna Optimist Club's Charles A. Robinson 'Respect for Law' Award Recipient

On August 16, 2023, the Vienna Optimist Club held its annual banquet to honor the Charles A. Robinson 'Respect for Law' Award recipient PFC Alex Murray at the Vienna Presbyterian Church. This award is given annually to one Vienna Police Officer and one Fairfax County Police Officer after being nominated by their respective commanders. The award is named after longtime Vienna Mayor Charles "Charlie" A. Robinson.

PFC Murray has been a police officer with the Town of Vienna Police Department for approximately five years. During that time, he has served the community as a Patrol Officer, a Field Training Instructor, and, more recently, as a detective temporarily assigned to the Criminal Investigations Section. PFC Murray was selected to serve in CIS after distinguishing himself on the street in the Patrol Division.

His former CIS Commander, Cpt. Sylmar described PFC Murray as "resourceful, creative, tenacious, and dedicated, whose service to the community brings great honor to himself, the Department, and the Town of Vienna."

Please contact MPO Juan Vazquez for further information at juan.vazquez@viennava.gov or (703)255-7845



Vienna Police Department



The emergency technology company, **RapidSOS**, has partnered with the American Heart Association, American Red Cross, and Direct Relief to sponsor a no-cost voluntary health database. RapidSOS is an intelligent safety platform that securely links life-saving data from 500M+ connected devices, apps, and sensors from 90+ global technology companies to over 450,000 first responders across 15,000 agencies nationwide. Whether there's an unsafe moment or an emergency, RapidSOS Ready devices, homes, or buildings deliver essential data to first responders when it matters most.

Town of Vienna residents may create a free emergency health profile that can be easily shared with first responders during a crisis or emergency to ensure they can access your critical health and medical information when you need help. Your created profile provides real-time details about your medical history, emergency contacts, allergies, etc. It only takes a few minutes to set up and is voluntary.

You can enter behavioral health information, pre-existing medical conditions, allergies, emergency contacts, and other relevant details into the database. This information is associated with your mobile phone number and will only be available to first responders when they receive an emergency call from your provided telephone number. You can choose the amount of information you provide based on your discretion.

Regularly reviewing and updating your profile is vital to ensure first responders have the most up-to-date information, especially after significant health or life changes.

We encourage Vienna residents to take the first step in ensuring their safety during an emergency by creating a free emergency health profile today at <https://www.emergencyprofile.org/>.

