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WEEK REPORT

2019-06-10 to 2019-06-16

Amherst Police responded to 118 complaints over the course of the week.

Monday:

A 53-year-old male has been charged with public intoxication after he was found on Church Street.

A caller reported the male was very intoxicated near the YMCA. Police arrived and found the man lying on a nearby lawn. He was arrested and lodged in cells until he was sober.

A summary offence ticket was issued in the incident.

An 18-year-old male was arrested and charged with theft after it was reported that he had shoplifted from a South Albion Street store. The male is slated to appear in court on July 29 for plea.

Police received a report of an assault at a Rupert Street residence. A resident reported she attempted to remove her son from a home because of drug activity at the location. While she was removing her child from the area, two of the occupants provoked a physical confrontation. Police are investigating the incident.

Tuesday:

A Copp Avenue residence was broken into on this date. Nothing was reported taken in the incident.

A Beacon Street resident reported scammers attempted to defraud her by impersonating her grandson.

The suspect pretended to be her grandchild and said they needed \$2,500 for car problems. When the resident questioned the caller saying they did not sound like her grandson, the fraudster said they had a cold.

Fortunately, the Amherst resident did not fall for the scam known as the "emergency scam" or "grandparent scam."

Police would like to remind residents to always verify the identity of a love one with something that only is known between the two. Do not send money unless the emergency can be verified and the matter has been discussed with other family members.

In many instances scammers attempt to get the senior or victim to send money without notifying anyone else.

Anyone falling victim to the grandparent scam is asked to contact the police department at 902-667-7227.

Wednesday:

A 42-year-old male is facing charges of causing a disturbance, resisting arrest and assault following an incident at a South Albion Street restaurant.

The male is accused of uttering several racial slurs in the business causing patrons at the bar to confront him. The male continued with the slurs and spat at one of the customers.

Police were called and the male was arrested.

During the course of the arrest, the male resisted officers' attempts to handcuff him and place him in a police vehicle.

The male was eventually released on a promise to appear in court on July 22 for plea.

A resident on Willow Street reported that a young male was spotted going through their vehicle. The resident was having a smoke in a vehicle when they noticed the dome light in another turn on, so they went to investigate.

The resident discovered a young male inside the vehicle.

The male was described as being in his early 20s, wearing a black plaid lumberjack hoodie, black ball cap and blue jeans. The male fled the location towards the E. B. Chandler area.

Anyone with information on this incident is asked to contact Const. Germain at 902-667-7227.

Thursday:

Police received a call reporting that two subjects were consuming alcohol in a motor vehicle in the Walmart parking lot. Patrols were made and the vehicle was found in the Amherst Centre Mall parking lot.

A passenger in the vehicle, age 23 years, was issued a summary offence ticket for illegally possessing alcohol. The driver was not impaired. However, she was issued a violation ticket for an unregistered motor vehicle.

A break and enter was reported at a Spring Street residence. The home was discovered to have multiple items tossed around inside the residence. Medication was reported taken in the incident. A TV located inside the home was also reported to have been smashed. Police are investigating.

A 51-year-old male was charged with failing to comply with a recognizance after he contacted a female he was prohibited from doing so. The male was held for court and appeared on June 14. He was released on a judge's recognizance and will next appear in court on July 8 for plea.

Friday:

Police received a report of a female banging her head against the front door of a Willow Street residence. Officers attended the scene but were unable to locate the female. No other disturbances were noted in the vicinity.

Officers assisted Family and Children Services (FCS) on two difference occurrences. In one instance, police assisted FCS in placing two children into care. In the other case, officers helped FCS workers check some children who were reportedly covered in bruises and bite marks. No charges were laid in either investigation.

Saturday:

A fight was reported at a downtown area bar involving multiple males. Police attended, but the fight concluded prior to their arrival. The investigation into the matter is continuing. No charges have been laid at this time.

A resident almost fell victim to an Instagram scam.

The female was added as a friend by an unknown male, who then struck up a conversation with the female. After a brief conversation, the male sent three cheques to the female and asked her to deposit them into her bank account.

The male then asked her to purchase a laptop and send monies back to him through bitcoin.

Police are warning residents not to fall victim to this scam. The cheques in these cases will typically be counterfeit and any monies sent to the scammers will be lost.

Police are advising residents to never send money or deposit cheques from someone you have only met online. Fortunately, the Amherst resident did not fall for this scam.

Sunday:

A 27-year-old male is facing charges of breach of probation after he was not found at his residence, which was contrary to his conditions. Charges are pending against the male. No court date has been set at this time.

Officers responded to a Robert Angus Drive store after receiving reports a male was causing a disturbance inside.

The male, age 21 years, was approaching customers and staff and harassing them. Police discovered the male was intoxicated and he was warned about his behavior. The male was allowed to leave the area in the care of friends. No charges were laid.

Anyone with information related to these incidents is asked to contact the Amherst Police Department at 667-8600 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).