



AMHERST POLICE DEPARTMENT

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WEEK REPORT

2019-08-19 to 2019-08-25

Amherst Police responded to 132 complaints over the course of the week.

Monday:

- Police received a report that a male approached an Amherst resident on Albion Street and attempted to sell him jewelry. The male said he needed to sell the jewelry to pay for gas. This male appears to be linked to a rash of suspicious incidents throughout the province. The male was reported to have been driving a silver Mercedes Benz. The male identified himself as "Mohamed" and was identified as being of possible East Indian descent. The police department believes the subjects are possibly attempting to sell jewelry at inflated prices. If anyone sees the male, they are asked to contact the police department at 902-667-8600.
- A 22-year-old female is facing possible breach charges after she made contact with a male who she is prohibited from contacting. The female made contact with the male through repeated phone and text messages. Police are investigating the incidents and no charges have been laid at this time.

Tuesday:

- APD is investigating an incident of theft at an apartment complex on Crescent Avenue. Individuals broke into the washer and dryers at the building. Camera were also stolen in the incident. Police are investigating.
- A male reported he was defrauded of a little over \$900. The male said unknown individuals had deposited fake cheques into his account and then withdrew the amounts through email transfers. The male reported his debit card and pin code were stolen from his home. Officers are looking into the matter.

Wednesday:

- A 70-year-old male is accused of stealing meat from a South Albion Street store. Officers detained the male several blocks from the incident. The male has not been charged. However, charges are likely to be laid in the incident.
- A 22-year-old female has been charged with theft after an incident on Copp Avenue. Police were in the area on another matter when they became aware that a female was having a medical issue and was lying on the street. An officer and a female bystander rushed to the area to give first aid. Once the victim had recovered from the incident, she realized her cigarettes were missing. The officer later determined the bystander had stolen the cigarettes when the officer had left to get an emergency blanket for the victim. The female was arrested and later released on a promise to appear in court on Sept. 23 for plea.

Thursday:

- A 2014 Polaris Razor side-by-side was reported stolen from a Lorne Crescent yard. The off-road vehicle is white, black and yellow in colour. Anyone with information on this theft is asked to contact Cst. Mark McNair at 902-667-8600.
- Police received multiple calls about a disturbance taking place outside of a Church Street residence. Several parties were on scene at the location, which centered around a tenant dispute. The argument stemmed from noise levels during the day and parking issues. The officer was able to mediate a solution where the tenants agreed to be more civil to each other. No charges were laid in the incident.

Friday:

- A 25-year-old male is facing charges of breaching of a judge's recognizance and resisting arrest after an incident on Foundry Street. The male had curfew conditions requiring him to be at his residence from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. The male was allowed to leave at this time if it was for work purposes. Police had received a call from the male earlier in the day stating that he was to be at work for the evening. An officer later spotted the male at a Foundry Street home. An officer was sent to question the occupants and was allowed to search the residence. The suspect male was found hiding in the bathroom of the home. The male was arrested and taken to the officer's patrol vehicle. While en route to the vehicle, the male attempted to flee from the officer. The officer was able to gain control of the male after backup arrived on scene. The male was held in custody and later released on a judge's recognizance. He will next appear in court on Sept. 16 for plea.
- A break and enter was reported on Belmont Street. An iPad, a coin collection, foreign cash and a few boxes of 22 ammo rounds were stolen in the incident. The investigation into the matter is ongoing.

Saturday:

- Officers responded to a South Albion Street store after it was reported that a male had shoplifted from the store. Officers made patrols but did not locate the male. The male has been identified and charges are likely to be laid in the incident.

- A resident on Winston Avenue reported that someone had attempted to steal a four-wheeler from his property. The off-road vehicle was found in a neighbor's yard and it appeared there were some attempts made to hotwire it. Police are investigating.

The Amherst Police Department is reminding residents to secure their off-highway vehicles. Some suggestions would be to lock and secure any outbuildings and to make sure there are no keys left with or near the vehicles. Our agency has received reports of multiple off-highway vehicle thefts occurring inside and outside the Amherst area. Residents are urged to contact police with any suspicious activity that they see by calling the department at 902-667-8600.

Sunday:

- Two thefts of gas were reported at a Highway 6 gas station. In the incident, individuals had pumped \$20 and \$37 worth of gas into vehicles and then drove off without making any attempt at paying. Police have identified the vehicles and will be following up with the owners. No charges have been laid at this time.
- Officers received a report of a shoplifting incident from a South Albion Street store. Two females were detained a short distance from the store. However, they were released without charges after officers failed to find any stolen property on them.

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).