

LITHOPOLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT

THE VILLAGE OF LITHOPOLIS^{est. 1814}

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On May 1, a resident reported a push mower and some tomato cages stolen from her backyard. A scrapper had been seen in the area shortly before the items were discovered missing.

On May 8, police responded to a complaint concerning individuals smoking marijuana in a parked vehicle. The officer located the vehicle and three occupants. The officer was able to smell the odor of burnt marijuana, at which point one of the occupants admitted that there was some in the vehicle. The officer confiscated the marijuana, paraphernalia, and digital scales. The vehicle owner was cited for possession.

On May 10, a resident reported her wallet had been stolen from her vehicle overnight. She was able to cancel her credit cards before they were used. A surveillance camera showed what appeared to be a younger-looking black male enter the vehicle during the overnight hours.

On May 10, police impounded an abandoned vehicle which had been marked for removal two days prior. The vehicle had not been moved for several weeks. The registered owner was contacted and informed of the status of the vehicle.

On May 11, officers were asked to stand by after a business owner reported a dispute with a former employee who threatened to damage company property. The former employee left without further incident.

On May 14, a resident reported that her adult son sent her a message stating he intended to shoot himself. The male left on foot prior to police arrival, but he was found walking in a nearby neighborhood. He was found to be unarmed, and was transported to a hospital for a mental health evaluation.

On May 15, police stopped a vehicle for an equipment violation. The officer observed indicators of possible drug use and requested a K-9 to respond. The K-9 alerted to the presence of contraband, and police discovered syringes and other assorted drug paraphernalia. The operator was charged for the offenses, and the passenger was arrested on an outstanding warrant.

On May 15, police responded to the report of a solicitor. The officer located the solicitor, who was selling meat from the back of his truck. He was found to have a suspended driver's license and a warrant for his arrest from Whitehall. He was arrested and transferred to the custody of Whitehall Police. His employer was contacted to retrieve the vehicle.

On May 18, a resident reported being bitten by a dog. After investigating, it was determined that a resident was walking her leashed dog when a child threw a stick. The dog's leash wrapped around the child's legs as the dog was fetching the stick. The child suffered mild abrasions to the backs of his knees. The child's parents were upset that they weren't contacted by the dog's owner. No further action was taken.

On May 20, a resident reported that their trash cans had been intentionally overturned, and suspected a relative of doing it. The resident requested that the relative be criminally trespassed from the property. Officers contacted the relative and advised her not to return.

On May 21, an employee of a local business discovered that dog excrement had been smeared on his car door handles. He suspected that his ex-girlfriend had done it, but only wanted it documented.

On May 22, police conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle for a traffic violation. It was discovered that the operator did not possess a driver's license and she and her passenger were in the country illegally. ICE was contacted and they interviewed the occupants. They were not taken into custody, but the operator was cited for not having a valid license. She was able to contact somebody to respond to the scene to pick them up.

On May 23, a business owner reported that a customer attempted to pay for fuel with a credit card that was declined, but failed to return to satisfy payment. The customer was driving a company vehicle at the time, and his employer was contacted. The employer satisfied the payment.

On May 24, police responded to a two-vehicle accident. A vehicle that was slowed in traffic was struck by the vehicle behind it due to the operator looking down at his phone. He was cited for ACDA.

On May 26, a resident reported that the rims and tires were stolen from his vehicle while it was parked in his driveway, and the vehicle was on blocks.

On May 29, a resident reported that he had a guest who had overstayed his welcome, but was refusing to leave. Police responded to the residence and forced the guest to leave the premises.

On May 30, police responded to an unruly juvenile complaint. It was alleged that the juvenile had run away. There had been numerous behavioral issues in the past. The juvenile was found and returned home.