# Manalapan Twp. Police Dept. Press Releases March 3 – March 9, 2021

# 21MN04670 – Shoplifting

On Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at approximately 12:44 p.m., employees of the Quick Check located at 45 Smithburg Road in Manalapan reported a shoplifting incident where items totaling \$36.14 were removed from the establishment without being paid for. The incident is pending complaints and was handled by Patrolman Ryan Brady.

# 21MN04664 – Fraud

On Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at approximately 11:40 a.m., a 78-year-old Manalapan Township resident reported he gave \$11,000.00 to a subject that he met online and was expecting repayment. The victim was provided a cashier's check for \$18,000.00 which bounced at the bank. Patrolman Joseph DeFilippis took the report, which is pending further investigation.

# 21MN04634 – Structure Fire

On Monday, March 15, 2021, at approximately 10:23 p.m., patrols responded to a residence on Sandpiper Drive for a structure fire. Upon arrival, the residence was evacuated and it was determined to be a fire which was contained to the rear exterior of the residence. Multiple fire departments responded to the scene and the fire, which was deemed to be accidental, was extinguished. Patrolman John Lightbody handled the initial report.

# 21MN04629 - Fraud/Harassment

On Monday, March 15, 2021, at 9:23 p.m., a 46-year-old Manalapan Township resident reported that they were the victim of an online puppy scam. The victim sent \$5,949.00 to a fraudulent breeder. Patrolman John Lightbody handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

# 21MN04605 – Simple Assault

On Monday, March 15, 2021, at approximately 3:35 p.m., a 43-year-old resident of Staten Island, NY, reported to the Manalapan Police Department that he was assaulted by a 55-year-old Manalapan Township resident while attempting to negotiate the purchase of an item listed for sale by the Manalapan resident. There were no injuries reported as a result of this incident and no criminal complaints signed. Patrolman Christopher Makwinski handled the initial investigation report.

## 21MN04590 – Fraud/Identity Theft

On Monday, March 15, 2021, at approximately 11:20 a.m., a 32-year-old Manalapan Township resident reported that an unknown actor(s) gained access to his personal information. No monetary loss was reported as a result of this incident. Patrolman Kyle Williams handled the report.

#### 21MN04559 – Structure Fire

On Monday, March 15, 2021, at approximately 4:47 a.m., patrols responded to the area of Forest Drive for a structure fire. The residence was evacuated and it was determined to be a shed engulfed in flames. Manalapan Township Fire Districts 1 & 2 responded and extinguished the fire, which appeared to be accidental in nature. Patrolman Brian Schank handled the report.

## 21MN04549 – Residential Burglary

On Sunday, March 14, 2021, at approximately 8:29 p.m., Patrolman Philip Accatatta was dispatched to a Crest Fruit Court residence for a report of a residential burglary. Upon arrival, it was determined that unknown actor(s) had forced entry through a rear door of the residence. An amount of property stolen from within the residence is still under investigation. The burglary is believed to have occurred over the last several months. Patrolman Philp Accatatta handled the report, which is pending further investigation.

#### 21MN04466 – Warrant Arrest

On Saturday, March 13, 2021, at approximately 2:10 p.m., Patrolman Jeremy Slad conducted a motor vehicle stop on US 9. The driver, identified as Taniah Louis, a 37-year-old, unmarried, female, teacher, resident of East Orange, New Jersey, was found to have a warrant issued for her arrest by the Irvington Municipal Court in the amount of \$550.00, and the Northvale Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00. Ms. Louis was released pending future court dates. Patrolman Jeremy Slad was the arresting officer.

#### 21MN04396 – Warrant Arrest

On Friday, March 12, 2021, at approximately 11:58 a.m., Robin L. Simmons, a 39-year-old, married female resident of Freehold, occupation unknown, turned herself in at Manalapan Township Police Headquarters regarding warrants that were issued for her arrest by the Manalapan Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$1,000.00 and the Manchester Township Municipal Court in the amount of \$750.00. She was processed and released after posting bail. Patrolman Jeffrey Emslie was the arresting officer.

#### 21MN04351 – Harassment

On Thursday, March 11, 2021, at approximately 5:11 p.m., a 20-year-old Manalapan Township resident reported that a 24-year-old Manalapan Township male resident has been harassing him via social media. Patrolman Jeremy Slad handled the report.

## 21MN04273 – Theft of Property

On Wednesday, March 10 2021, at approximately 5:39 p.m., a 38-year-old Manalapan Township resident reported that between January 21 and January 23, 2021, an unknown actor(s) had removed two package from a Carole Court residence. Patrolman Jeremey Slad handled the report, which is pending further investigation.