

ELSMERE POLICE DEPARTMENT
Monthly Report
July 2018

Significant Events:

On the following dates/times Elsmere Bureau of Police officers handled the below incidents and seized the following drugs, money and/or weapons.

June 1, 2018:

Elsmere Man Indicted for Pipe Bombs

WILMINGTON, Del. – David C. Weiss, U.S. Attorney for the District of Delaware, announced today that a federal grand jury charged Mark Consiglio, 48, of Elsmere, Delaware with three counts of illegally possessing a destructive device, commonly known as a pipe bomb. Each charge carries a maximum penalty of 10 years of imprisonment, three years of supervised release, a \$10,000 fine, and a \$100 special assessment on each count, if convicted.

The allegations against Consiglio include that he detonated a pipe bomb at his estranged wife's residence in Elsmere in the early morning hours of March 12, 2018. Subsequent searches of Consiglio's residence yielded additional suspected pipe bombs as well as a .38 caliber revolver. In February, Consiglio was charged with terroristic threatening by the State of Delaware for threatening to kill his wife.

Consiglio made his initial appearance on the indictment before a federal magistrate judge on May 24, 2018. The government filed a motion to detain Consiglio pending trial. He did not contest detention.

U.S. Attorney Weiss offered the following statement, "The use of destructive devices poses a grave threat to the safety of this community. We will treat these threats accordingly and prosecute those who employ such weapons to the fullest extent of the law."

An indictment is merely an allegation and is not evidence of guilt. The defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

This case is being investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives in coordination with the Office of the State Fire Marshal and the Elsmere Police Department and is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Alexander P. Ibrahim.

June 26, 2018:

Phone Scam

The Elsmere Police would like to make residents and business owners aware of a recent Delmarva phone scam. It has been determined that calls are being made to homeowners and businesses in the area where people are posing as Delmarva employees. The individuals are aware of names and addresses of their targets. The individuals state that the business has a past due bill and that there will be technicians sent out to turn off power unless it's paid immediately. The individuals then proceed to explain that the person needs to go to a local Walgreens, CVS, etc. and purchase PayPal gift cards. The individuals explain that once the cards are purchased to call them back and give the account numbers over the phone to pay the bill. The number that is being used is 302-782-9757. If contact is made to that number there is a Delmarva recording that answers to appear legitimate.

Some other scams include being contacted by the IRS to collect past due money or being contacted by the police to collect bail money for a friend or loved one. Be aware that at no point would Delmarva, IRS or Police contact you in that way. Be aware that at no point would Delmarva, IRS or Police ask a person to purchase PayPal cards to collect money.

If contacted, immediately hang up the phone without giving any information and contact the company from the correct listed phone number to ensure your account has not been tampered with.

These scammers are very aggressive and the phone number are untraceable.