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DETECTIVE BUREAU**

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Case No.

15-000115

Reported

04/06/2016

00:00

Wednesday

Title: *Vince LaValle Interview*

04/06/2016 @ 12:10 hr.

On the above date and time, this Detective and Detective Timmie Patrick interviewed former County Chief of Staff: Vince LaValle at his home on 4th. St in Beaver. Mr. LaValle was represented during the interview by his attorney, Charles "Chuck" Porter, Esq.

Mr. LaValle stated Comprehensive HC bought Firendship Ridge from the County for \$37.5 Million. Ms. Kristen Kolodychak, was a County employee working as the Friendship Ridge finance director, she was a member of the Transition Team as was Controller Dave Rossi.

This Detective asked about the \$1.2 million " loan" to Comprehensive, where Mr. LaValle titled a memo as a "Loan". Mr. LaValle stated the term "loan " was not correct. Actually, the \$1.2 million was to fund the operations of Friendship Ridge, and the closing, the \$1.2 million was returned to Beaver County. LaValle further stated, Mordy Lahaski requested the funds and the request was recommended by Solicitor Joe Askar, and the funds were approved by Commissioners Amadio and Nichols; and Commissioner spanik was notified to the fund transfer. As this \$1.2 Million transfer was made prior to closing, Mr. LaValle stated that Controller Dave Rossi and Ricardo Luckow were notified.

Mr. LaValle stated he went to Citizens Bank with Mordy Lahasky to withdraw funds for Comprehensive HC shortly after the closing. He stated that citizens Bank was reluctant to issue any check, due to an old signature card card where he was listed as an employee of the controller's office. Mr. LaValle stated he was involved in wire transfers of funds from the Friendship Ridge bank accounts to Comprehensive HC, after the closing. Also, he recalled a memo allowing Tracey Patton, Connie Javens and himself to make money transactions on behalf of the Commissioners. When asked about Connie Javens's participation in the negotiations for the sale of Friendship Ridge or on the Transition Team, Mr. LaValle stated Javens had no part in the negotiations and was not part of the Transition Team.

Mr. LaValle stated he asked Connie Javens to assist in transferring money form the Citizens and PNC Bank accounts to Comprehensive HC, as Javens was on the old signature card as Treasurer. He stated he never asked her to be the point person for making these transactions, but stated she possibly assumed the role. He also stated that Mordy Lahasky would frequently stop by the Commissioner's Office and update the Commissioners on how things were going and he would discuss the money transfers from the County held accounts.

I asked whose money was held in the County Friendship Ridge Citizens and PNC bank accounts after the closing was signed. Mr. LaValle stated Clark Hill, the attorneys who drafted the sales agreement, stated after the closing; the moneys in the Citizens Bank Accounts, and the PNC Bank Accounts belongs to comprehensive HC. He further stated, Ms. Kristen Kolodychak was thought to be the point person for assisting transferring the Comprehensive HC monies from the County Accounts when requested by Comprehensive. However, Kolodychak left county employment and the Mr. LaValle stated he became point person as Chief of Staff.

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He stated his emails verify that he gave the account statements for the Citizens accounts and a 04/21/14 transfer of \$300,000.00 to Controller and Mr. Luckow.

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