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February 3, 2023

Subject: Email Dialog with **Brandon Rogers** - Continuation from the year 2018.

This is a continuation of an email dialog with **Brandon Rogers** from way back in 2018 regarding the missing \$6,000,000 poured into the **David Francis** Dirt Spreading Project, a.k.a. The **James Weaver “Kirk” Kirkpatrick the III** Super Duper Sports Complex, that now **Brandon Rogers** refuses to acknowledge unless I provide proof that this funding was spent by Haywood County, in other words, **Brandon Rogers** threw me under the bus.

Interesting reading, since this all happened almost five years ago, and it is still happening. Here we go...

Subject: Re: Fwd: Re: Request for Public Records - Bid Process - Dirt Spreading Project, Request #32 (Way back in 2018!)

Date: Thu, 2 Feb 2023 10:21:39 -0500

From: Monroe Miller

To: teamrogers <teamrogers@bellsouth.net>, Brandon Rogers <brandon.rogers@haywoodcountync.gov>, Tommy Long <Tommy.Long@haywoodcountync.gov>

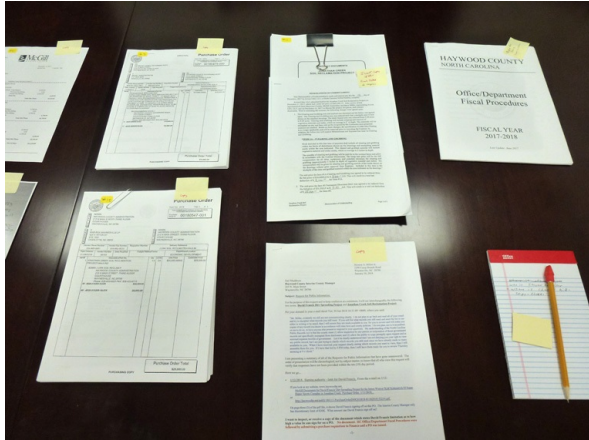
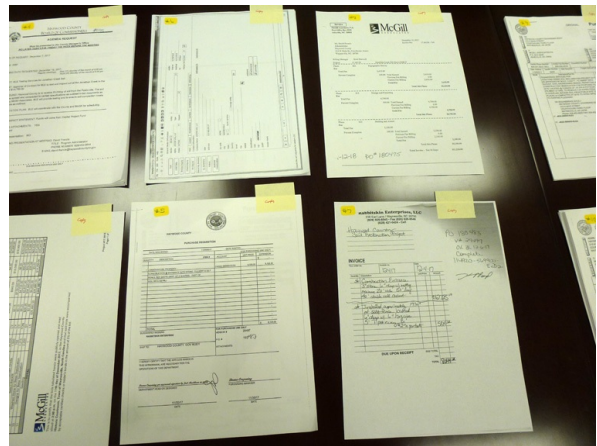
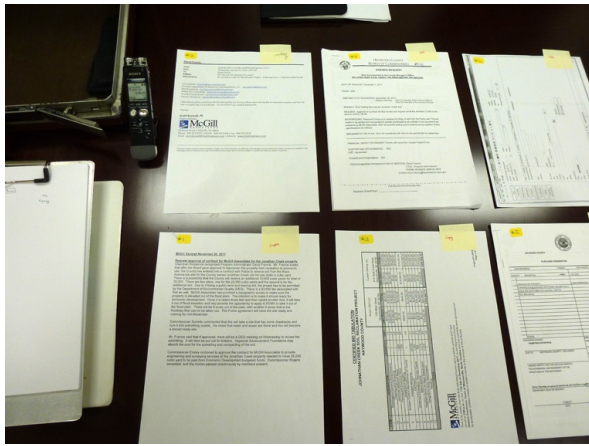
CC: Jennifer Best <jennifer.best@haywoodcountync.gov>, Terry Ramey <terry.ramey@haywoodcountync.gov>, Bryant Morehead <bryant.morehead@haywoodcountync.gov>, Kris Boyd <Kris.Boyd@haywoodcountync.gov>, Frank Queen <Frank.Queen@haywoodcountync.gov>, Vicki Hyatt <vhyatt@themountaineer.com>, Becky Johnson <bjohnson@themountaineer.com>, Jonathan Key <jkey@themountaineer.com>, Scott McLeod <info@smokymountainnews.com>, Greg Boothroyd <ads@smokymountainnews.com>, Kyle Perrotti <kyle.p@smokymountainnews.com>, Kristian Owen <kristian.owen@haywoodcountync.gov>

Hey Brandon!

Look what I unearthed! An email dialog between you and me! Check out the date - 5/18/2018, almost five (5) years ago. Check out the Subject - This was my 32nd Request for Public Records, same yahoo's still at the center of this mess - Kris Boyd and David Francis.

This email was sent a couple of months after the famous meeting with wannabe county commissioner Terry Ramey and then county manager Joel Mashburn on 2/1/2018.





This was the treasure trove of information Joel Mashburn presented in early 2018 of county funds being poured into the James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick the III Super Duper Sports Complex, a.k.a. the David Francis Dirt Spreading Project.

See: (on www.haywoodtp.net)

[Meeting with Joel Mashburn, wannabe county commissioner Terry Ramey and me, on 2/1/2018. This is an email dialog \(one way\) sent to Tommy Long and Brandon Rogers, re: The David Francis Dirt Spreading Project. 1/4/2023...](#)

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You wanted evidence? Well, why don't you and Tommy go through all this?

Say Tommy, how are you coming along getting the SBI involved so someone can go to jail about the "missing \$6M"? Well, hand the SBI this email, and they can put Kris Boyd and David Francis on the list.

By the way, here is a printout that was pried out of Kristian Owen about more money sent over to the Asheville Chamber of Commerce (\$300K in this snapshot).

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ACCOUNT	DESCRIPTION	YEAR	EFF DATE	AMOUNT	VDR NAME/ITEM DESC	COMMENTS
11 -4920-569900-	OTHER CONTRIB GRANTS ETC	2018	04/20/2018	55,764.75	HAYWOOD CO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	4TH QTR FY 17-18 PMT HC CHAMBE
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11 -4920-569900-	OTHER CONTRIB GRANTS ETC	2023	01/06/2023	25,000.00	HAYWOOD CO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	HAYWOOD CTY CHAMB OF COMMERCE
11 -4920-569900-	OTHER CONTRIB GRANTS ETC	2023	07/22/2022	25,000.00	HAYWOOD CO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	HAYWOOD CTY CHAMB OF COMMERCE

			<i>To Asheville Chamber</i>	
2018	223,059.00	→	100,000	}
2019	223,059.00	→	100,000	
2020	223,059.00	→	100,000	
2021	50,000			
2022	50,000			
2023	50,000			

There is another \$200K that has been sent directly to the Asheville Chamber since then, but I have yet been able to pry that out of Kristian Owen. Have commissioners approved another \$100K for this year?

So, Tommy, I believe that one of my Titles bestowed upon me by Cory Vaillancourt, "The Six Million Dollar Man", should be updated and changed to "The Six-and-a-Half Million Dollar Man" to account for money sent over to the Asheville Chamber of Commerce that was only spent to promote the J Creek property as an industrial site. What another waste of Taxpayer Dollars.

Better yet, why don't you schedule another meeting over at the Buttered Biscuit, so you can attempt to repair the damage you did to yourself at your last presentation?

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

[Editor's Note: What follows is dialog from 2018.]

On 5/21/2018 9:53 PM, teamrogers wrote:
Thanks Monroe for the information! Keep me posted

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Monroe Miller
Date: 5/21/18 1:11 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: teamrogers <teamrogers@bellsouth.net>
Subject: Re: Fwd: Re: Request for Public Records - Bid Process - Dirt Spreading Project, Request #32

Brandon,

A new course has been set. I went in this morning to set up a meeting with Lori Tomlin to review on a computer screen all e-mails between Kris Boyd / David Francis / BLE. She indicated we would have to go up to the third floor and arrange that with administration. Fine.

We spoke to Candy, who said she already just e-mailed me un-redacted stuff. I asked her who had put together the information she sent to me - Kris Boyd and David Francis (foxes guarding the hen house), reviewed by Killian and Mashburn. Tomlin made a bee-line into Chip's office, and he came out all huffy, saying we sent what I asked for. Nothing between November and March? Tomlin and I are going to sit in front of a computer screen and verify this. Tomlin then offered to pull the files herself. Now her neck is on the chopping block (it wasn't before, because she handed it off to Boyd and Francis). Killian reluctantly agreed.

We will see where this goes.

FYI.
Monroe

On 5/17/2018 8:38 PM, teamrogers wrote:
Monroe,
I'm in Bristol this weekend and will be back on Monday and will check on this for you when I get back.

Thanks,
Brandon
Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: Monroe Miller
Date: 5/17/18 6:15 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: Brandon Rogers <teamrogers@bellsouth.net>
Subject: Fwd: Re: Request for Public Records - Bid Process - Dirt Spreading Project, Request #32

Brandon,

I got 35 pages of redacted [expletive deleted]. Nothing between 11/4/17 and 3/16/18. Do they think I am an idiot? Who pulled this crap? I am so angry I can't see straight. How do I go in and actually inspect county e-mails for myself?

Monroe

----- Forwarded Message -----

Subject: Re: Request for Public Records - Bid Process - Dirt Spreading Project, Request #32

Date: Thu, 17 May 2018 13:34:33 -0400

From: Monroe Miller

To: Candace Way <candace.way@haywoodcountync.gov

CC: Lori Tomlin <lori.tomlin@haywoodcountync.gov, Julie Davis <julie.davis@haywoodcountync.gov, Donna Corpening <donna.corpening@haywoodcountync.gov, Kris Boyd <Kris.Boyd@haywoodcountync.gov, Chip Killian <Chip.Killian@haywoodcountync.gov, Kathi McClure <kathi.mcclure@haywoodcountync.gov, J W. Kirkpatrick <kirk@jwklaw.net, Bill Upton <billupton@bellsouth.net, Michael T. Sorrells <sorrells@cbvnol.com, L. Kevin. Ensley <lakensley@bellsouth.net, Brandon C. Rogers <brandon.rogers@haywoodcountync.gov, David Francis <david.francis@haywoodcountync.gov, Don Yelton <yelton221@gmail.com, Cory Vaillancourt <cory@smokymountainnews.com, Vicki Hyatt <vhyatt@themountaineer.com, Eddie Cabe <aecabe@bellsouth.net, Terry Ramey <terryramey2017@gmail.com, Mark Cathey <mark.cathey@mcgillengineers.com, Scott Burwell <scott.burwell@mcgillengineers.com, Christy Brown <christy.brown@mcgillengineers.com, rabbitskinexcav@bellsouth.net <rabbitskinexcav@bellsouth.net, rbestexcavating1@bellsouth.net <rbestexcavating1@bellsouth.net, Phillip Wight <pwshvac@gmail.com

Ms. Way,

Thank you for sending me the requested e-mails. However, some are heavily redacted. I would like the un-redacted e-mails, Please.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Subject: RE: Request for Public Records - Bid Process - Dirt Spreading Project, Request #32

Date: Thu, 17 May 2018 16:49:19 +0000

From: Candace Way <candace.way@haywoodcountync.gov

To: Monroe Miller

Mr. Miller,

Attached are the requested emails.

Thank you,

Candy

Elizabeth Candace Way, NCCCC
Clerk to the Board of Commissioners/
Executive Assistant to the County Manager
Haywood County Administration
215 N. Main Street
Waynesville, NC 28786
Phone - 828-452-6625
Fax - 828-452-6715
candace.way@haywoodcountync.gov

On 5/14/2018 1:14 AM, Monroe Miller wrote:

Ms. Way,

[?]

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.

Subject: RE: Request for Public Records - Bid Process - Dirt Spreading Project, Request #32

Date: Tue, 8 May 2018 13:04:55 +0000

From: Candace Way <candace.way@haywoodcountync.gov

To: Monroe Miller

Mr. Miller,

Your emails are being pulled and we will forward to you once they are completed.

Thanks,

Candy

Elizabeth Candace Way, NCCCC

Clerk to the Board of Commissioners/

On 5/8/2018 8:55 AM, Monroe Miller wrote:

Ms. Tomlin,

I don't deal with Joel Mashburn any longer. He is not the "Appropriate Person", but I am interested to know that you do not feel that you are the custodian of IT. Mashburn has been removed from this copy list.

Ms. Way,

Since you were kind enough to originally provide me with David Francis' email that included dialog with McGill, can you please provide me with the original request I sent to Ms. Tomlin? I'll repeat:

Please provide all of the e-mail's sent/received by Kris Boyd and David Francis to/from Bunnell-Lammons Engineering (BLE), regarding subject content related to the Jonathan Creek Soil Reclamation Project and more specifically, Soil Compaction Testing, otherwise known as the David Francis Dirt Spreading Project, a.k.a. The James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick Super Duper Sports Complex.

This project officially started with David Francis requesting commissioners to fund McGill to create a plan at the November 20, 2017 county commission meeting.

Please provide the requested information in electronic format, i.e., I do not want paper copies, I would like it e-mailed to me.

Thank you,

Monroe A. Miller, Jr.