

PAPOA BOD MEETING 01/20/20 Security Report

1. On Saturday 01/11/20 an anonymous resident reported juveniles trespassers consuming alcohol at the beach. Further investigation by Dave and Oscar, along with MCSO revealed it was an owners daughter and her friends (12), all over 21. A truck parked at the emergency entrance to the beach, owned by one of the friends, was checked by MCSO (Sheriff Marty) and asked not to park there again.
Also wedding pictures taken at beach, while MCSO Off-Duty Sgt. Quintero kept parking and traffic at the Lopez wedding reception in order.
2. **MCSO:** There have been 8 **scams** or **frauds** reported to the Sheriffs Office since Jan. 1 totaling tens of thousands of dollars. All these cases remain under investigation, unless annotated otherwise: (see attachment).
These include;
 1. **01/02/20 Big Coppitt Key:** *Stolen Credit Card information - poss suspect*
 2. **01/02/20 Ocean Reef:** *\$15,000.00 Bank Transfer to fraudulent account
3 Money Market transfers and 8 Checking using transfer app **Zelle**
Recommendation: watch your money*
 3. **01/02/20 Marathon:** *Rental Property Scam; Victim paid \$1,740 vacation property via **Craigslist**.*
 4. **01/05/20 Cudjoe Key:** *IRS Scam; call from "federal officer" stating victims Social Security was being cancelled unless \$10,000 balance was paid.
Victim purchased \$10,000 in gift cards from Publix, TJ Maxx & Office Max*
 5. **01/06/20 Key Largo:** *Church reported 3 Fraudulent checks total \$24,700 made out to three people - two in Miami & one in Hialeah.*
 6. **01/06/20 Marathon:** *Victim reported \$4,901 from checking account missing.
Bank statements showed 41 unauthorized money transfers using **Cash App**, which victim **doesn't** have installed in her phone.*
 7. **01/06/20 Key Largo:** *A couple sent \$1,950 to a **Cat Breeder** for a kitty using **Zelle app**. To date the couple has yet to receive the cat. **Check before.***
 8. **01/07/20 Islamorada:** *An Islamorada woman discovered an attempt to get a loan in her name with a lending company for \$3,500, which was subsequently declined. However, a credit check revealed another unk loan.*

A few reminders particularly regarding unsolicited phone calls and personal information:
RESIDENTS NEED TO BE AWARE AND VIGILANT IN REFUSING TO GIVE PERSONAL, MONETARY or GIFT CARD INFORMATION OVER THE
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To all residents of Monroe County: If you receive such a phone call/text/email from anyone purporting to be Law Enforcement- HANG UP & CALL THE NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER (305) 292-7000

ANYONE WITH INFORMATION ABOUT SUCH CRIMES SHOULD CONTACT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT (305) 292-7000.

Those who wish to remain ANONYMOUS can call CRIMESTOPPERS AT:
1-866-471-8477

Tips can also be submitted online at: www.floridakeyscrimestoppers.com

**IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING AND/OR RECORD WITH CELL TO MAKE YOUR TESTIMONY MORE COMPELLING.
DO NOT APPROACH or GET IN A CONFRONTATION WITH SOMEONE, NO MATTER HOW MANY ARE IN YOUR GROUP. STAY A SAFE DISTANCE AND CALL THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE NON-EMERGENCY (305) 292-7000
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