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Skip,

I appreciate your passion, I'm busy working, I live here on Hilton Head Island, but I'm in real estate investment in TN. One big reason I focus on TN for real estate investing is because the prices of real estate in the Hilton Head Island and Bluffton areas are so high, it's tough to make sense of it on a cash flow basis. I will jump on the band wagon and Blame the Town and the Chamber of Commerce for this. We live in a phenomenal area of the country, in my opinion the Town and the Chamber have done a great job marketing Hilton Head Island and surrounding areas... maybe to good of a job. I really don't care how much people make, as long as its effective, I've been here for over 20 years, the marketing has been pretty effective.
I appreciate your passion and all, but this name calling and riding people has become just ridiculous, have you seen the number of bounced emails you get in this thread?
I have nothing to gain by sending this email... but dang man, you're getting old, go fishing or something, let people do their jobs.

Please don't call me, I won't answer, I'm busy working and spending time with my family.

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On Tue, Jun 16, 2020 at 5:21 PM Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

> Today's council meeting was very interesting and after 7 yrs we got the answer. Councilwoman Tamara Becker if I heard right, asked Italy McCann have we complied to Atax Foia , McCann answered we don't have the info, basically saying he will not comply to my Foia. Ms Becker replied to McCann when he said we don't have it, she said "that makes sense".
> What doesn't make sense is handing more Dmo chamber funds with no contract, no accounting, violation to my Foia..... and allowing Bill Miles to not show all this accounting, and says its his secret sauce.....to tax payers, local officials or even his own claimed 1500 members.... and his hand picked Chamber buddy board ! We have arrived at a very interesting place today in Beaufort County and Hilton Head island?
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> Plus the Town 2021 budget continues with no independent audits of town records Riley, Gruber and Troyer control. Just hired cookie cutter audits that only show what these leaders want you to see.
> Houston/ Hilton Head we have a problem!!
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> Chamber board is in denial, and controlled like mindless puppets by Miles, Lawyer David Tigges and Paula Bethea. Folks this is going to get interesting. Don't forget my offer of 1 million to anyone who proves me wrong! And 100k to anyone that provided anonymous info that leads to the arrest, conviction and imprisonment of any Chamber leadership or Beaufort county elected or hired Town official.
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> Visit SCwatchdog.com same is happening in Charleston, Myrtle Beach and Columbia...and anywhere a private Chamber Cvb Or Dmo is issued millions in Atax funds..... and refuses to comply to tax transparency and members money.
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> Note :Irs Ubit tax violations, tax evasion by these 501-c6 non profit Chambers CVBS city Dmos is in the hundreds of millions nationwide.

Can’t just make all this up
Today's council meeting was very interesting and after 7 yrs we got the answer. Councilwoman Tamara Becker if I heard right asked McCann have we complied, McCann answered we don't have the info, basically saying he will not comply to my Foia. Ms Becker replied to McCann when he said we don't have it, replied that makes sense.
What doesn't make sense is handing more funds with no contract, no accounting and violation to my Foia and allowing Bill Miles to not show all this accounting as it's his secret sauce! We have arrived at a very interesting place today!

Bill Miles and the Hilton Head Bluffton Chamber is just the laboratory test, to prove and roll out state and nationwide.
Let’s see what the elected Officials do about all this refusal to tax payers for Foia, refusal to Chamber members by Bill Miles.
Let’s see what law enforcement does AG, Sled, Fbi and Irs on the millions of tax evasion I have discovered using Bill Miles Hilton Head Chamber and Town Council as an example.

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On Jun 9, 2020, at 7:40 AM, Jeremy Koch <j.koch@pertnear.com> wrote:

Pass the popcorn please
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On Mon, Jun 8, 2020 at 10:09 PM Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

I will pay the Island Packet and any of its reporters 1m, that can prove me wrong on my facts that SC laws are being broken, and the illegal use of tax funds by Bill Miles and our Chamber? Add Irs tax evasion by several people, and the illegal criminal misuse of tax funds schemed by Lawyer Gregg Alford and Steve Riley and other Town council members.
Why have we not seen full coverage of all my facts? Why has AG office and Deputy AG Jeff Young cced failed our justice system? I offered all law enforcement to prove me wrong including the FBI Irs etc and no one steps forward. How do we all live and survive in a lawless state where Millions of tax funds are being allowed to be stolen and illegally used with no arrest ? A damn shame ! Just what we need on top of the pandemic, civil unrest, Peaceful protest, and Destructive riots on innocent people. My God what happen to law and order.

Kacin and Katherine I feel you are both very good young reporters and journalists. I also feel if we did not have a local newspaper, news media, the local corruption would be much worse, and why I support the paper, and have always been willing to take your calls and answer any questions you asked me. I am however not happy with your article on Honest Mike Covert and dishonest Bill Herbkersman who I have facts on.
First, I send to a specific group of leaders and I’ve accused not dozens, just those whom I believe enable or break SC laws. Fact is, many do respond to me who agree and support my facts. Those I accuse, like Bill Herbkersman, can’t reply on the facts so his fallback is to attack with a ridiculous response. Further you have no facts on who or who does not respond to me !

Kacen and Katherine, why do you paint me as antagonistic versus factual, and not as a citizen trying to stand up to corruption and illegal use of millions of our tax funds being committed by those I harshly criticize?

Neither of you have reported my facts to help clean up our community and you did not mention Herbkersman’s SCPRT corruption, nor joined my FOIA fight for all tax information. Further you both and the Island Packet are Chamber members. Why have you both not asked Bill Miles to comply to you under the SC non profit corporation act laws? Why have you both not submitted an Atax Foia to all the councils? I have and to date all non compliance. After submitting 10 request for Foia to Beaufort County first I have heard it has not been sent because I own money for this request ?

If you both or the Island Packet can prove I am antagonistic and not factual on these SC laws being broken, I will pay each of you one million dollars or to the Paper. As journalists you should write the entire story and not simply label someone antagonistic versus factual. Who have I Unjustly or wrongly antagonized?

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On Jun 4, 2020, at 10:09 PM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

To begin anyone who proves me wrong I will send a check for 1 million to your address
100k to anyone who provides confidential info that leads to the arrest, conviction and imprisonment of any local Beaufort county official or Chamber leadership.
Forward this email to those Tax payers you know who are sick of being robbed blind by local corruption. Post to your Facebook account this video.
Visit Beaufortwatchdog.com
SCwatchdog.com.

My speech approx 5 -10 mins into meeting recording . Highly corrupted Brad Marra Atax Chairman, head of Palmetto Dunes and discovered Is in a illegal business with shyster Bill Miles Chamber, and Shyster Cary Corbit Sea Pines employee. They are committing tax evasion and put Marc Frey Hilton Head Monthly magazine owner, who owned Golfers Guide out of business and committing Irs tax evasion.

- Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Meeting (5/28/2020): https://www.facebook.com/TownofHiltonHeadIslandSC/videos/vb.115489665461886/246810349959784/?type=2&theater

First how is it possible for Bill Miles to tell all local officials, who ask to see the accounting of all tax funds, to go to hell, and they keep handing this shyster millions. Would anyone hand me millions of your money to invest, and hand me millions more if I told you go to hell, if you asked me to show what I did with your money? Here is your answer !!!The Chamber is simply too crooked and arrogant to be responsible stewards of the people's money, and those on Council who voted to continue financing them are Corrupted enablers of a money laundering operation, no one could be this incompetent. To be specific, when I say "Money laundering" I mean the practice of taking ill gotten gains and moving them through a sequence of bank accounts so they ultimately look like the profits from legitimate activity. Institutions, individuals, and even governments who are believed to be aiding and abetting the practice of money laundering can be indicted and convicted, even though they may be completely unaware that the money being transferred with their help was of criminal origin. And money laundering goes hand in hand with tax evasion.

Do you know what the long term effects this kind of corruption and tax evasion does to a community?

First, systemic corruption can seriously undermine a community's ability to deliver sustainable and inclusive growth.

Second, large scale tax evasion typically means lower government revenue, higher public debt, and less investment in health, education, and other public services. It means higher economic inequality because the most vulnerable are most affected by a sharp drop in social spending. That, in turn, can trigger popular discontent and economic instability.

The societal effects of money laundering are diverse because dirty money from criminal activities, like those being conducted by the Chamber, flow into legitimate funds, which are used to expand existing crime transactions and finance new ones.

Also, and I have said this repeatedly, the Chamber enjoys a built in advantage with these millions of unaccounted for ATAX dollars because they use them to subsidize their own "off the books" advertising business that competes directly with local ad companies, even including our own newspaper, The Island Packet. This unfair advantage makes it difficult for legitimate businesses to compete.

Winston Churchill often encouraged his staff to "*level with events*"—by which he meant that they should tell the unvarnished truth—no sugar-coating of the facts.

Corruption, tax evasion and financial exclusion: these are big challenges for the Town of Hilton Head and they need to be addressed head-on.

By standing together as one, and by "leveling with events", we will have the opportunity to promote financial integrity and inclusive growth for the benefit of all.

Thank you.

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On May 28, 2020, at 12:20 AM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

Again, "I'm offering a check for one million dollars" to anyone who proves me wrong on my allegations of illegal tax use by our Chamber, and illegal, seems criminal misuse of tax funds issued as a tax payers bank loan schemed by the dishonest and dysfunctional Hilton Head Town Council, Town Manager, Assistant Town Managers and Town lawyers. This includes those who claim to be distinguished, honest and respectable citizens, yet publicly endorse someone like Bill Herbkersman, Jeff Bradley, Weston Newton in a splashy full page Ads in the Island Packet on Sundays.

Atax Meeting -dial in number for public comments Thursday at 2:00pm. I will call in and have already pre signed up to stop this further ongoing theft of our tax money.
The May 28, 2020 Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee Special Meeting agenda is available at https://hiltonheadislandsc.gov/boards/boardagendas.cfm?DetailID=ATAX

Public comments concerning agenda items can be submitted electronically via the Town's Virtual Open Town Hall portal. Citizens may also call 843-341-4646 to sign up for public comment participation during the meeting by phone. Please take a moment a share your comments with this brief survey.

After you pre sign up you dial 404-458-0105then hit code 360557170 call Cindaia if problem or to confirm 843-341-4646.

Bill Miles will ask Atax committee Chairman Brad Marra, his friend and illegal partner in another business with Cary Corbit , Sea Pines employee, and another ATAX bandit, for 450k more tax funds to promote Hilton Head for Coronavirus, like he did for Hurricanes (over 750k) The theft and insanity to our tax money must end. Please note the Covid 19 is rising in cases, as well as deaths in Beaufort County not going down. Do we really need to give Bill Miles 450 k more to put in his pocket and use in secret. 45k local Facebook accounts, the Island Packet, local search will do all this for free when it's time.

Here are my comments and ideas for others who can speak and comment on this continued fraud, waste, and illegal use of millions our tax money, regardless of Covid 19 or Hurricanes. Bill Miles is just using this tragedy, like he did with the Hurricanes, to grab more money to help fund his 400k salary and all the rest of the laundering and tax misuse. What we need to do is force Bill Miles to give back the 3m in ATAX funds council just handed him, give him the boot, and let his private members pay him 400k, not taxpayers. If we had no chamber, no Bill Miles, no cvb, no Dmo, we would still get the same amount of tourists with technology and the internet! When was the last time you made travel arrangements and booked a hotel room on a Chamber website? Answer: never!

No one on Town Council can be this incompetent; it's just more theft and schemed corruption, and the Town of Hilton Head just keeps handing more money to Bill Miles without receipts, invoices and violating taxpayers Foia. This has been going on for over 35 years. Imagine 60m unaccounted for! It does not get any worse by Steve Riley, all Town Council members and all those connected to them.

We all know the Chamber is a local business league with 1500 private members, many businesses chose not to join or support the way it is currently illegally operated in secrecy. Again let his Poor tricked and Decieved 1500 members deal with him, not 45k plus tax payers

A private non-profit chamber should not be a Dmo, this should be a hired local newspaper, ad agency, media company or perhaps a separated CVB but not best choice. Regardless this job under gold standards is purely to take Atax funds and market the entire community, thats it, that simple. This is not supposed to be a pay to play, favoritism initiative to profit the pockets of a private chamber in secret. Certainly not refuse all of us receipts and invoices as secret sauce on all tax funds.

A private chamber head employee should not receive $400k to cut

ribbons, and in fact generated by tax payers money from the illegal sales and tax avoidance on the Atax funded website and $100k app that was a failure.

We all know the chamber is not responsible for tourism. This is done by technology, local search, social media and independent marketing of many local businesses and 45k + local Facebook accounts of local residents, second home owners and fact 70% are repeat visitors the USCB study produced.

The Island Packet and its marketing ability and all the rest can do covid-19 and hurricane marketing much better and effectively. This chamber needs to get back to just being a local private business league that many chose to not join, and Atax committee needs to stop recommending these millions that are a failed old Dmo business model and worse an illegal chamber use and abuse of taxpayers money.

I feel I know a lot about this and can help fix this, unfortunately I can't change the minds of those corrupted and people like Brad Marra breaking the law with his partners Bill Miles and Cary Corbit of Sea Pines.

Again prove me wrong and come collect your 1m check !

Again, I'm offering a check for one million dollars to anyone who proves me wrong on my allegations of illegal tax use by our Chamber, and potentially criminal misuse by the dishonest and dysfunctional Hilton Head Town Council, Town Manager, Assistant Town Managers and Town lawyers. This includes those who claim to be distinguished and respectable citizens, yet publicly endorse someone like Bill Herbkersman in a splashy full page in the Island Packet Sunday.

Perhaps all these "respectable" citizens approved of Herbkersman's HB 3931 bill, an attempt to give political cover to the Chamber's financial
shenanigans, as well as his involvement in the 58 million SCPRT contract, aka "gift", handed to a Bluffton businessman. Or maybe they are diggin' those SCPRT matching grants handed to best bud Bill Miles and many other "secret sauce" crooks like him, statewide.

I would like nothing more than to write a check to the following people who have lived on Hilton Head for 45 plus years like I have. If they are not willing or able to step forward to collect the one million check from me, then why do they continue to endorse and allow corruption? Big mystery to me. I guess they'd just rather be accepted by the entrenched system and remain on the back slapping party list and attend the Chamber Ball to wine and dine on
taxpayers dime with corrupted officials in total secret control of millions of tax funds.

Imagine officials like Steve Riley and lackey Josh Gruber, Bill Miles and others proven misuse of tax funds and zero forensic audits, and no FBI, Ag, Irs, Sled investigations. Folks, we are in big trouble in the incestuous cesspool of Beaufort County and SC corruption. Nothing works with "secret sauce", no Foia, no audits, no non profit corporation act compliance, no contracts, no procurement, tax evasion, money laundering, fraud, illegal criminal mususe of tax funds and no law enforcement. Does it get any worse?

Glad I became a Florida resident and just live part time in SC! However, with the ongoing corruption, kick the can down the road politicians, part time development, builders, real estate Mayors with horses in the race, runaway development, 8 lbs in a 5 lb bag, with just one road and one bridge, all caused because of no master land plan, and rivers and creeks being severely polluted. Charles Fraser's vision of a low density, high end retirement and resort community is destroyed forever, now a ripple effect to Bluffton and I95, because Bluffton is headed by a real estate pimping, cheerleading part time Mayor who's rather make real estate profits and let future generations clean up her mess.

Folks, when I moved here, eating May River oysters was one of the many reasons me and many other chose to live here. Now, what took millions of years to create we have destroyed in just thirty years. Again no master land plans, and politicians supported by developers. We did not inherit all this, we are borrowing it from future generations. What's the answer? Simple: develop master land plans NOW to stop stuffing 10 lbs in a 5 lb bag.

On May 20, 2020, at 3:52 PM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

Our current representative, Jeff Bradley, is a representative that cannot fully represent us. By his own admission, Bradley acknowledged that he cannot vote on certain legislation such as bond projects because it is a conflict of interest with his full-time employer. For example, he cannot vote on state bond projects for such things as bridges, schools, roads, or infrastructure. The Corona Virus has taken a toll on our state and local economy. What will our post Corona Virus initiatives look like? We will need leaders that are not tied down by their employer when it comes to legislative votes. What good is a legislator that cannot represent us in all areas? When asked about this, Bradley offers a "confused" response.

Read more here:

https://www.savannahnow.com/article/20150326/NEWS/303269854

Our state seems to have the same issues elections cycle after election cycle, yet we keep electing the same people. My opponent has run unopposed twice because the system gives incumbents a big advantage. Incumbents have mailing list, campaign funds, and contributions from PAC groups. In fact, Jeff Bradley my opponent is known as "PAC MAN" because he has many PAC supporters from interest groups outside of our area. Why would Jeff Bradley take PAC money from Myrtle Beach Tourism Association and oil giant BP?

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On May 19, 2020, at 4:34 PM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

Please note, most of following is under my SC Foia law Request to councils and SCprt state agency, some is questions we all need answers on from our officials who are in current violation of my Foia, and hope all this will help educate tax payers on just how bad and hard to imagine how bad the corruption is. We have a few officials on Beaufort County Council that are honest and trying, Hilton Head Town Council all corrupted, seems hopeless to count on them, and more lawsuits, public speeches, press coverage needed, and boot all of them as soon as we can.

Per SC FOIA please provide the following: For the Chambers Cvbs Atax funded Dmos
To include: All accounting for the Following :
1. Beaufort Chamber Cvb Dmo
2. Hilton Head Chamber Cvb Dmo
3. Black Chamber
4. Greater Bluffton Chamber
5. All Private non profits, private gated communities, private lands funded with Public tax monies both Atax and General tax funds.

1. Copies of the receipts and matching invoices for ATAX expenditures for the past five (5) years.

2. Copies of proven performance metrics for all ATAX expenditures for the past five (5) years.
If none are available of record please provide a statement certifying same.

3. Copies of invoices and receipts for the development of the DMO website utilized by the Chamber and apps or any tourism related publications. Both in Canada and USA Ad agencies. To include Verb Interactive in Canada and Brandon Advertising in Myrtle Beach.

4. All receipts, invoices and full accounting for advertising revenues earned by the Chamber for the past (5) years, to include a list of advertisers along with their corresponding payments.

5. Copy of all paid IRS UBIT taxes on all advertising for the past five (5) years.

6. Copy of all invoices and paid receipts for Google key words purchases, to include a list of all google key words and how much has been paid for each one, for the past five (5) years.

7. Copy of all staff and/or employee salaries for the past (5) years.

8. Copy of all bank deposits for all Atax funds

9. Under the SC non profit corporation act laws please provide all records of the private chambers CVBS Dmos records to all council members, as tax payers proxy.

10.Need all accounting and receipts for any hurricane marketing funds and the proven results and metrics from use of those funds. Explain how this chamber did more than technology, Facebook of 45k residents, Weather Channell, local search, All social media, Island Packet etc etc

11. Need all accounting for any monies that are issued in the future for coronavirus marketing, with all proven results and metrics. We understand the Beaufort Chamber has asked for 800k and Hilton Head Chamber 400k. Explain for what reason ? This Atax funded Dmo Is a failed old business model and has been replaced by technology like telephone directories. It's insane to keep finding Bill Miles 400k salary and Chamber tax scam. It's time for swindler Bill Miles to go apply for a real job, that's needed and useful.

12. Need how much Atax funds are in the County and Town bank accounts reserved for issue and use by all non profits, that qualify to use these funds under SC law. Need a copy of the SC law and guidelines the county and city follows to fund these non profits, especially the ones illegally.

13. Need a full accounting, receipts and invoices from all non profits funded by Atax funds in Beaufort County and Town of Hilton Head and Town of Bluffton.

14. Need a copy of all Dmo agreements, and non profit Tax Recipient Agreements. If none they must be created, and no one gets tax money until they sign up.

15. Need a copy of all procurement bids for the hired Atax funded Dmos for last 10 yrs. A procurement lawsuit has been filed against the Town of Hilton Head already.

16. Need copy of the SC municipal association guidelines for how Atax money can be legally used and accounting reported. Same for general tax funds issued for hurricanes and coronavirus? And proven performance metrics, not fraud.

17. Need copy from the National associations Acce (American Chamber of Commerce Executives) and the Dmai (Destination Marketing Association International) where it states a 501-c6 non profit Chamber, Cvb or acting hired city, county and state Dmo can sell advertising as unrelated business income that far exceeds its allowable related income and pay no Irs Income taxes. We need a SC Irs legal opinion on this.

17. Need a copy from these organizations that states a chamber or a Cvb can use Atax funds to develop Dmo apps and websites they own and control versus the Dmo?

18. Need a copy of SC State law that says a Town, County or State does not have to follow procurement laws for a hired DMO to be funded by local Atax funds.

19. Need a copy where it states if a new Dmo is hired, the outgoing DMO gets to keep ownership of the Atax funded App and Website, keep selling advertising to profit and pay no Irs taxes. And the new Dmo gets to use same Atax funds to develop another app and website, and can take this money, over 1million out of country to Canada versus locally to develop the new Dmo app and website. Again, send where it's legal for the hired non profit Chambers, CVBS, or could be for profit ad agencies, media companies that become hired Dmos to own the apps and websites versus the city, county, state ownership. Please note the hired State Dmo is a for profit Ad Agency and was put out for bid under SC procurement Laws, the state Dmo website Is Discoversouthcarolina.com and owned by the State. The state site does not sell advertising and is tax funded with $58 m every 5 yrs with a 5 yr contract to the hired state Dmo. (Note the state is however refusing to show where the 58m in tax fund were spend or performed) What makes a hired city or county Dmo any different? Please send this.

20. Please provide a copy of where it says a 501-c6 non profit local Chamber business league can even legally receive tax money, to co-mingle with its private members dues, or even become a hired Dmo from the ACCE, DMAI national associations.

21. Please send where it says a non profit Chamber and a Cvb should operate co-mingled versus separated like must cities do, from the national Chamber, Cvb / Dmo Associations. Note Beaufort Chamber Cvb Dmo was forced to separate, however still corrupt and hiding use of tax funds, Charleston Chamber and Cvb totally separated and seems the Chamber receives no tax funds, however the Charleston Cvb is highly corrupted and stealing millions. The commingled Myrtlebeach Chamber Cvb Dmo equally and even more corrupted than Hilton Head.

22. Please send me an IRS legal opinion on if the Town and County are liable for Irs non payment of IRS Ubit (Unrelated Business Income Tax) since they are allowing the illegal use of Atax funds to be used by the hired non profit Chambers cvb as acting hired Dmo to sell advertising and escape taxes and commit tax evasion, fraud and money laundering, as well as profit to pay 400-1m salaries and pay packages for these executive director employees?

23. Please send a copy of where it says anywhere, MASC (Municipal Association of SC), State, county or city ordinances that a non profit Chamber, Cvb should be Dmo for life / perpetuity, profit privately from illegal use of tax money, does not have to sign a Dmo contract, does not have to show accounting, and no opportunity for others to bid to be the hired Dmo. This could be local ad agencies, local media, like local newspapers, magazines, website owners etc.

It's beyond time for all public elected and hired officials to obey SC laws. It's beyond time for law enforcement to force others to abide by SC laws and transparency. Nothing will work well for anyone or future generations, living in a lawless state that is allowing the illegal use of hundreds of millions hard earned tax payers funds. Again, only 3 choices: corruption, incompetence, or failure to do the job you were elected, hired, paid to do. Thanks

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On May 18, 2020, at 8:46 PM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

State Representative Bill Herbcrooksman —go to SCwatchdog.com to read more on SC filthy corruption and those involved like you.
Show me the tens of millions, you and your SCprt Cronies handed MrXXX Kevin Meany in Windmill Harbour and crook Bill Miles with the Hilton Head Bluffton Chamber ? Lawyer State Rep Weston Newton, family related to Judge Dukes, who sat on SC prt committee, how was he involved, or do we wait for the FBI to tell us?

How much ATAX and SCPRT tax money has been used to pay Chamber Cvb Dmo crooks like Bill Miles, Helen Hill and Brad Dean a 400K-1m pay package, Miles a 1.7 million home in Indigo Run plantation and 500k mountain house? And Kevin XXX Meany receives 80-90 million from SCPRT swindlers Duane Parrish, Bill Herbkersman and Weston Newton. In fact, Meany lives in my neighborhood, Windmill Harbour, and docks his million dollar yacht named *"Lucky Hooker XXX*", which sits in front of my house. I assume tax money is used to gas it up? And coincidentally, Chris "McCrookendale" with Hargray Phone company also lives in Windmill Harbour. Why is "McCrookendale", the Chairman of the Hilton Head Bluffton Chamber, assisting the theft of millions of tax money and members dues by Bill Miles, Paula Bethea, David Tigges and Steve Riley? Note all these crooks are tired together in various ways, aka
"*the incestuous cesspool of corruption". Robbing tax payers blind.*

All the FBI needs to do is to gain access to their email servers and implement a forensic audit to uncover the multi-million dollar theft of our tax monies. Our county has had enough of this wholesale robbery of our money. Many people are suffering, yet our incompetent, crooked officials keep handing millions to these "crisis profiteers" for fraudulent hurricane marketing and now, coronavirus marketing. And all while **not a single person** has seen their accounting or performance metrics that would justify giving them a single red cent.

I expect the FBI, IRS, AG and SLED to act!!

Never in my 45 years of living on Hilton Head, until I retired and founded BeaufortWatchdog.com and SCwatchdog.com, did I realize this level of corruption was even possible. Read/Google the Scorpion and Frog story. We have way too many scorpions!

By the way Mr xxx Meany, if you have some xxx king fantasy, keep it inside your home in Windmill Harbour, not for neighbors, families and children to see. What does a father tell his child who

sees your partially paid for Yacht with public SCprt tax funds, Daddy what does “Lucky Hooker xxx “ mean ? You and your Bluffton cronies Herbkersman (Herbcrooksman), Weston Newton, Bill Miles, Paula Bethea, Lawyer David Tigges, Lawyer Walter Nester with crook Duane Parrish now have the nerve to tell me, you will not comply to my SCprt Foia on what Mr XXX did with 60-90m of tax money, and you all say it is your Secret Sauce, isn’t it interesting your crook buddy Bill Miles used the exact same words secret sauce, and meant secret theft. There are no secret sauce laws in SC, but there are SC Foia laws, and SC non profit corporation act laws.

Show me the money!
Numbers don’t lie!

Don’t worry you won’t be handcuffed and put in prison till after the virus is over.
Perhaps you all will be allowed to keep tricking and corrupting officials like Lying Big Spender McCann, Lying Banker Lennox and lying Yale Harkins, and the others, to keep handing you millions more for illegal use of tax funds, fraud, money laundering, tax evasion scams. Anyone wants to debate my facts call my cell 843-384-7260, or email back to this list, if you are not living in fear.
Like I have told many, prove me wrong, and I will ask my families trust to write you a million dollar check to use as you wish, and I will put a full page ad in the Island Packet to apologize.....
Thanks

On May 15, 2020, at 10:26 AM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

> I ask all the judges have you ever imagined we need to pay a ribbon cutting non profit Chamber cvb dmo Employee 400k salary,plus what he steals and we don’t know because he is refusing to show what he did with 60 million of tax money for over 30 Yrs, and our corrupted Town manager and Town Council, also all chamber members by illegally using tax money to join, just keep writing the checks. They are all in violation of my foia and SC non profit corporation act laws.
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> READ ALL BELOW: If you disagree call my cell, 843-384-7260. I certainly can’t be the only person in South Carolina willing to expose this statewide Atax SCAM and corruption. Note, I have copied the FBI, AG, SLED, IRS, SCDOR, the Ethics Commission, Municipal Association of South Carolina and all National Presidents of Chamber CVB’s and DMO's. Also. SCPRT head Duane Parrish, SCTERC head Ed Riggs, and State Representative Bill Herbkersman, they all are refusing Foia and sc non profit corporation act laws. Law enforcement must act or the tax theft of hundreds of millions of dollars continues.....And my family's trust will pay **one million dollars**, ***cash***, to anyone who can prove me wrong.....and responds back to the 500 people on this email. Who will take that challenge?
> Once a Forensic audit is done on many tax funded Chambers, CVB’s, DMO's, I predict many Chamber employee's and crooks like Paula Bethea, Lawyer David Tigges, Bill Miles of the Hilton Head Chamber who has hijacked total control, SCPRT Duane Parrish, Ed Riggs SCTerc, State Representatives Bill Herbkersman, and Weston Newton, all of whom handed approx 85 million plus to Kevin Meany, a

Bluffton Ad Agency owner, better known for his million dollar yacht Happy Hooker xxx (fishing or porn) partially paid with his scam of tax dollars with SCPRT Duane Parrish and friends in Bluffton Reps Herbkersman and Lawyer Newton who assisted him getting this $70- $90m, Lawyer Newton, Judge Dukes' nephew, and all the rest of these cronies have thus far refused my FOIA based on "secret sauce". Question is who will be handcuffed and see the inside of a prison cell once the FBI /AG do their darn job?

I have sent this to all of you on Beaufort County Council previously; however, I think it bears repeating as you contemplate once again handing out enormous sums of tax dollars to " on profits", particularly the chambers CVB's hired Dmo's which you also violated Procurement laws hiring. And recall I was kicked out of the Beaufort Chamber by Edward Dukes, Judge Dukes brother and others for asking for their accounting records under the SC non profit corporation act law. And, I was refused membership in the South Carolina Chamber by highly corrupted Ted Pitts, Charleston CVB head Helen Hill, and Myrtle Beach Chamber head Brad Dean. Again I was refused FOIA by all, including SCPRT and SCTERC, with the spurious claim their accounting information was their "secret sauce". Folks, there are no secret sauce laws in South Carolina, but there are FOIA and non profit corporation act laws! I am the first person and businessman in good standing, kicked out and refused membership in a local or state Chamber. Lawyer Russ Keep first Lawyer to ever be refused membership in the Hilton Head Chamber by fellow crook lawyer David Tigges, and past lottery commissioner Paula Bethea (fox watching the hen house).

Once again I keep trying to educate all of you, the function of a 501(c)(6) non profit private business league is simply to support their own members, and not represent their views as those of the entire business community. And their funding is supposed to be **self generated**, meaning it comes solely from dues paid by their Private members, ***not*** from public tax funds. A chamber should not be a Cvb or hired Dmo comingling private and public tax money.

However, it does not surprise me these organizations come to you once again, hat in hand, expecting another infusion of tax money due to the Coronavirus, like they did previously for hurricanes that never actually hit our area. Does it get any worse trying to feed and profit off disasters by committing fraud?.....and worse elected officials accepting this fraud. It's called corruption, dysfunction or incompetence, take your pick.

The bottom line is why should these organizations receive any more money from the taxpayer, when they steadfastly refuse to provide any accounting, matching receipts, invoices, and any performance metrics that prove the money achieved the stated purpose? And why haven't we ever seen this information in the past?.....as we already know these monies pay for absurd $400k salaries and lavish living for Bill Miles and reported over 1 million salaries from money laundering by Helen Hill Charleston Cvb and Brad Dean Myrtle Beach Chamber.

Gentlemen, please stop falling for this same scam repeatedly; our Councils are simply being used,

abused, corrupted by very dishonest people.

If you can prove me wrong my family will donate one million dollars to local charities.

Shouldn't we de-fund these chambers and end the Atax funded DMO program (which technology, local search, social media has replaced) and invest this Atax money into improving local bike paths, parks recreation facilities etc. Force these chambers to revert back to supporting their local chamber members as a chamber should under national gold standards and ask the Hilton Head Chamber, Beaufort Chamber and the Black Chamber to return the millions they already received, and for which they also refuse to show receipts for all the ATAX funds handed them? Tax money is for the good of our community, not the pockets of crooks and thieves. Do we continue to let Bill Miles scam his $400k Salary generated from the illegal use and laundering of taxpayers money, and live in his $1.7 million home? I continue to be in disbelief any elected official, Paul, Stu (no surprise), now joined by Brian and Mark would even vote or be tricked like this. Good Lord, what on earth is wrong with many of our elected officials? Why can't they weigh and vote on the facts, and stop falling for this ongoing happy horse manure?

Yes, when this Coronavirus ends, I expect this Council and the Hilton Head Council to comply to my ATAX FOIA, which they are currently in violation of, and compel Bill Miles, Hilton Head Bluffton Chamber CVB DMO, Beaufort Chamber CVB, the Black Chamber and all non profits to fully comply to my Foia request for an accounting of all ATAX funds, General tax funds issued for Fraudulent Hurricane marketing, now attempts to grab Tax funds for Coronavirus. Again, we need to see how $400k salaries are generated, why over 1 million ATAX funds were taken to Canada to develop illegally used websites to generate millions in Secret advertising sales profits, that commit tax evasion to IRS / SCDOR…… and all the rest of OUR money being laundered and not just evading taxes, but violating 501-c6 non profit IRS tax codes and Ubit. I also expect you all, as paid in full Chamber members by use of illegally used tax money, to use your memberships to force these non profit chamber CVB DMO's to let you see their records as members of these chambers. You are entitled under South Carolina non profit corporation act laws, to see their books and records and much more than just ATAX funds. You now get to see how dues, grants from SCPRT, general tax funds issued for hurricanes, virus scams, lavish expenses, and illegal advertising sales on their websites have been used and laundered from fraud. That's their real "secret sauce", along with tax evasion from nonpayment of IRS UBIT taxes from their unrelated business income. Again, the 501(c)(6) IRS tax codes are clear on this issue, in black and white. It states must not be in any business normally carried on by a for profit and if they do and don't pay taxes on the Ubit (unrelated business income) they stand to lose their non profit status. Also SC Supreme Court ruled recently its illegal to use public funds for private purposes, not for the public good, reason, use, purpose.

If none of you can deny or debate I am not 100% correct, why do you continue to act like you do? This

again is called corruption, dysfunction or incompetence.

My sole focus going forward in SC will be to stop the illegal tax use by non profits, mainly Chambers CVB's Dmo's and assume if this Council does not comply and sue the Chambers to comply, so you can comply to my foia, we are headed for many more lawsuits, the cities and counties will lose as the SC laws are clear. Plus you will pay for all legal fees.

And there are more lawsuits to be filed: as an example, an IRS Whistle Blower tax case against Bill Miles and the Hilton Head-Bluffton Chamber for tax evasion from selling advertising and failure to pay IRS UBIT taxes under the 501(c)(6) tax laws. Bill Miles has laundered millions and paid this money out, in order to show zero profit on their year end tax returns. This has tricked the community and IRS; it's called Fraud.

I repeat, would any of you just hand Skip Hoagland three million of your own money, and keep handing me three million every year, if I told you I will not show you what I did with your money, go to opposite of Heaven, this is my "secret sauce" and none of your business? If you operate this way with your own money, let me know, I have some great investments for you.

I will print this out for next three minute public comments and lawyers use! I hope all the SC judges will help to also clean this up, as it's all our tax money being abused.

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On May 1, 2020, at 9:14 AM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

From Skip Hoagland to the members of the Hilton Head Chamber Board, HHI Town Council, as well as the entire community. And please read all on SCWATCHDOG.COM and respond back to these 500 people, including all Chamber Board members who claim to be smart, honest, fiscally responsible,

and hardworking community leaders. Now prove me wrong, or act and comply. The Town council must get this info from Bill Miles or sue and defund him to turn over all the Atax accounting, as the Town is in current violation of my tax payers Foia for this info. The SC Supreme Court said I could not get this info from Bill Miles/ Chamber directly, but did say I could get this info from this Town council who has issued millions of tax money to Bill Miles /

Chamber with zero accounting, transparency and fraudulent proven performance metrics. All tax payers must ask one question again, how is It possible the entire Town council thinks it's ok to break the law. This is a very unfortunate situation for our entire community.

How is it possible we have so many corrupt, lying, crooked officials running this Town?

This Chamber Board's ongoing silence allows Bill Miles, Paula Bethea and David Tigges to continue controlling and operating a fraudulent 501(c)(6) "non profit", that's actually a "for profit" money making machine; this must end. And it is this "for profit" machine the Hilton Head island Town Council unwittingly hired as their marketing arm, a DMO which even went so far as to misappropriate over one million dollars of our ATAX money to Canada for private profiteering and money laundering. This must end.

Read all on SCwatchdog.com

Respond back to this email and all 500 people, or if you fear reprisals, email me privately. Please note in the last five years no one has disputed my facts; ask yourself if I am right, then why do we continue allowing this robbery to continue? How is it possible millions per year of income and illegal use of tax funds remain unaccounted for, and has become "Secret Sauce" marketing malarkey? What you can do to help is attend Council meetings, send letters to the editor, call corrupted Chamber Board members and call council members and tell them "Enough is Enough". You can send FOIA requestS to the Town of Hilton Head; my family's trust will pay the fees. You can also send a letter directly to Bill Miles and Chris McCorkendale as a Chamber Member and ask for full access to the same Chamber accounting that Miles and accountant Ray Deal accountant enjoy under the SC non profit corporation act laws. If refused, file a FOIA lawsuit and non profit corporation act lawsuit; again, my family's trust will pay your costs and provide the best South Carolina lawyers to represent you.
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Join me in restoring a properly operated Chamber funded by private members, with a separately operatedATAX funded town DMO that follows procurement law, proper contracts, full transparency and FOIA compliance. Thanks

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On Apr 30, 2020, at 12:16 AM, Cc Hoagland <shoagland@me.com> wrote:

https://www.islandpacket.com/opinion/op-ed/article242345416.html

I am responding to the entire Chamber Board, who are either enablers assisting Bill Miles' theft of tax money, are corrupt themselves, or are too incompetent to serve on a board that freely uses them as mindless puppets drinking the "chamber koolaid", to camo and give these Chamber crooks credibility to keep robbing tax payers blind. Even tricking the Irs for their tax evasion from money laundering.

These Chamber board members who are listed in this article and in my email can start by proving the honesty, of a chamber that's privately controlled/ owned by co-conspirators Paula Bethea, attorney David Tigges and their 400k a year emoloyee, and chief ribbon cutter and master thief, Bill Miles. Show us where our millions of tax money went (your tax money) , that these three crooks claim is their "secret sauce"? My God, these crooks will try anything to gain credibility to camouflage their tax theft. Show us the millions, and what they did with it, and the return on investment? A 60m tax heist by these swindlers for 25 years, without a proper accounting and lack of legitimate contracts must end!!! Or do you business leaders just keep turning your heads and keep accepting this happy horse manure ?

This chamber has no control or involvement in local government's deliberation and response to this pandemic; in fact, the Chamber should defer to the Town Council and take direction from them, not the other way around. Unfortunately, we are being decieved from every direction; however, this could end simply by implementing full transparency, which the Chamber has thus far refused and the Hilton Head Town Council keeps enabling. This must end and will end! This corrupt Town council, Town manager is being sued for procurement violations and are in violation of my Atax Foia to show me where the Chamber spent millions. Also this council illegally misused tax funds to become private Chamber members to wine and dine on tax payers dime quid pro quo. Now as all being free tax paid members they must get full access to same books Bill Miles has access to, under the SC non profit corporation act laws as tax payers proxy. In fact the entire tax paying community are now all Chamber members since tax funds were used !!!

If this Chamber really wants to help the community, they should return the 3-5 million in tax money they laundered and spent lavishly, and that did not return any substantive or veritable benefit to the Town of Hilton Head Island. No one has seen any proven performance metrics. We all know technology, local search, social media and other recent advances produces tourism, not local Chamber CVB DMO swindlers. Mr.Chris "McCrookendale" Hargray employee and swindler, I guess you still think Yellow Page books work too? And Mr. "Swindle" Weindl Sonesta Resort Hotel when was the last time you or anyone on this email booked a hotel room on the fraudulent Hilton Head Chamber Dmo website they hijacked ownership from tax payers who should own this. Worse upsell advertising to illegally profit their pockets and we are asking FBi, Ag, Irs to act on this. Irs tax evasion has been proven. This is where the 400k Bill Miles heist comes from.

By returning these funds to their rightful owners, the taxpayers, the Town can then use this 3 -5m to help our local businesses and citizens in desperate need. And during this crisis, a question that's being asked, is Miles still receiving his 400k salary, so he can make the mortgage on his 1.7 million Indigo Run home likely purchased with stolen, illegally used tax funds? And how about his 500k mountain home in Cashiers NC? World travel, perks, bonuses,benefits and what we don't know until we see the full audit and accounting. Numbers don't lie ! The 3 Head Chamber swindlers lie! And the 3 stooges on Hilton Head Town Council lie Mccaan, Harkins, and head stooge finance committee Chairman Tom Lennox. Could not be any more corrupt.

Every Chamber board member must step up, now, and put a stop to this craven, self serving, self dealing corruption. And shame on any of them that lacks the courage to do so. Who has the courage to stand up and support my facts, or deny my facts?

If they and "McCrookendale" have nothing to hide, compel Miles, along with the owner of this Chamber "bid riggin Bethea" and "lying lawyer Tigges" to show us the ATAX money accounting!!! And we don't need their coronavirus help", the local/ state/federal government is in charge, not a bunch of Chamber cheat tax thieves. My God, wake up - this crooked Chamber has 1500 private, mostly clueless members, versus 35,000 residents who want nothing to do with them until Miles and his cronies are handcuffed, and this community Chamber and hired DMO are restored, to act properly and comply to SC laws.

To date no one has or can deny my facts. Respond back to this email publicly or call my cell 843-384-7260.

And if all these board members are so honest, where is the full accounting of where our millions of tax money went! I know for a fact not a single member has yet

to see the books, if you have let us all know !

And I highly doubt Chris "McCrookendale" wrote this opinion in today's Island Packet on his own. It reads as more propagandizing by a Chamber that consistently failed the taxpayers that subsidize it. And now they are shamelessly using this pandemic as an attempt to regain lost credibility and to fleece the public yet again. It's just another flimsy attempt to create an opportunity so they can apply for "emergency pandemic marketing funds" for more ill gotten taxpayer money. Mr. "McCrookendale", Hargray emoloyee snd Mr. "Swindle" Jay Weindl with the Sonesta Resort hotel, and Mr. DiMattia with Marriott, have any of you have seen the books? Can you tell us where are the millions upon millions of dollars enablers Town Manager Steve Riley and Town Council gave to Miles, without any assurance or written contract to insure these monies would be wisely spent and accounted for?

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Paula Bethea the head swindler and owner of this Chamber was behind the bid rigging and taking over 1 m Atax funds to Canada, she used the Chamber Ball to award community leaders citizens of the year for her filthy political purposes, and worse used the decreased good names of John Curry and Alice

Doughtie awards to do so. Filthy crook lawyer Tigges is Bill Miles and Steve Riley lawyer????, Puppet Lawyer Walter Nester does some of this work. It is reported this Chamber, Paula Bethea, Tigges, Nester, Secret Greater Island Council underground like Government runs the Town with Steve Riley. Many local officials are secretly involved in this secret organization, It all adds up ! It's all one big Incestuos cesspool of corruption, even the two local Judges Dukes and Mullen involved and controled.

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On Apr 29, 2020, at 12:41 PM, C C Hoagland <skipperhoagland@gmail.com> wrote:

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I am responding to the entire Chamber Board, who are either enablers assisting Bill Miles' theft of tax money, are corrupt themselves, or are too incompetent to serve on a board that freely uses them as mindless puppets drinking the "chamber koolaid".

These board members can start by proving the honesty of a chamber that's privately controlled by co-conspirators Paula Bethea, attorney David Tigges and their 400k a year chief ribbon cutter and master thief, Bill Miles. Show us where our millions of tax money went, that these three claim is their "secret sauce"? My God, these crooks will try anything to gain credibility to camouflage their tax theft. Show us the millions, and what they did with it, and the return on investment? A 60m tax heist by these swindlers for 25 years, without a proper accounting and lack of legitimate contracts must end!!!

This chamber has no control or involvement in local government's deliberation and response to this pandemic; in fact, the Chamber should defer to the Town Council and take direction from them, not the other way around. Unfortunately, we are being decieved from every direction; however, this could end simply by implementing full transparency, which

the Chamber has thus far refused. This must end!

If this Chamber really wants to help the community, they should return the 3-5 million in tax money they laundered and spent lavishly, and that did not return any substantive or veritable benefit to the Town of Hilton Head Island. No one has seen any proven performance metrics. We all know technology, local search, social media and other recent advances produces tourism, not local Chamber CVB DMO swindlers. Mr. "McCrookendale", I guess you still think Yellow Page books work too? And Mr. "Swindle", when was the last time you or anyone booked a hotel room on that fraudulent Hilton Head Chamber website?

By returning these funds to their rightful owners, the taxpayers, the Town can then use this 3 -5m to help our local businesses and citizens in desperate need. And during this crisis, a question that's being asked, is Miles still receiving his 400k salary, so he can make the mortgage on his 1.7 million Indigo Run home likely purchased with stolen, illegally used tax funds? And how about his 500k mountain home in Cashiers NC?

Every board member must step up, now, and put a stop to this craven, self serving corruption. And shame on any of them that lacks the courage

to do so.

If they and "McCrookendale" have nothing to hide, compel Miles, along with the owner of this Chamber "bid riggin Bethea" and "lying lawyer Tigges" to show us the ATAX money accounting!!! And we don't need their coronavirus help", the local/ state/federal government is in charge, not a bunch of Chamber cheat tax thieves. My God, wake up - this crooked Chamber has 1500 private, mostly clueless members, versus 35,000 residents who want nothing to do with them until Miles and his cronies are handcuffed and this community Chamber and hired DMO are restored, to act properly and comply to SC laws.

To date no one has or can deny my facts. Respond back to this email publicly or call my cell 843-384-7260.

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https://www.islandpacket.com/news/coronavirus/article242166781.html

Dear Bill,

I read the latest Island Packet article about the

Chamber forming committees about re-opening the Island to tourism etc. with interest and bemusement.

Why would the Chamber have to go to these lengths to form committees, decide who serves on this one and that one, when the very nature of a Chamber of Commerce is operating as a private BUSINESS LEAGUE. You are not a governmental entity, nor do you represent the interests of non members and taxpayers. You are also running a fraudulent Chamber "non profit", by using tax money to generate unlawful, undisclosed profits, while refusing to show the accounting to taxpayers and even your own members, who unknowingly provided the seed money from ATAX funds.

Now you come up with this new scheme to make it look like YOU are in charge of tourism. I've got news for you Bill, tourists will return when they feel it's safe to do so, and not based upon an artificial timeline you and your cronies dreamed up in some committee.

Bill, you need to return the three million in unused ATAX DMO funds to the Town, so they can help the many in need.
The Chamber is not, nor has it ever been, the driver of tourism on Hilton Head Island, and your 400k annual salary to simply cut ribbons at stores no longer open appears especially obscene and grandiose. And your ongoing fraud and money laundering

operation that's subsidized with our hard earned money must end.

And now you want folks to think you are actually doing something worthwhile for the community, while at the same time you are robbing them blind. My guess is your next step will be asking the Town for "secret sauce" Coronavirus marketing, like the last couple of times you scammed them for "Hurricane marketing". And how on earth can one little island produce this many crooked public officials who keep buying into all this happy horse manure?

Show us all the receipts and matching invoices and agree to an FBI, AG and IRS forensic audit investigation, and if all comes out clean, and my family will donate ONE MILLION DOLLARS to those in need locally, versus using three million in tax payer money handed you for fraud, money laundering, lavish spending, payoffs, kickbacks, embezzlement, and 1 million to Canada caused by bid rigging and selling illegal advertising that harms local companies.

The continued verbal attacks on local crooked officials and crooked judges will continue, I am a big supporter of law enforcement and have many friends retired from this profession, including FBI agents. They all agree I am 100% correct and also have told me the SC FBI, IRS, SLED and AG have failed at doing their jobs and

they need to be held accountable. I don't want to verbally attack these agencies, but if they don't act, I will. Thanks

Today's Paper online. Beginning of the end, as the onion gets peeled. Hilton Head chamber conceals how it spends $3M in taxes. It's illegal, local leaders say!! Charleston Cvb illegally operated by Helen Hill , Myrtle Beach Chamber under past Brad Dean is next.

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